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Another strike today

Anti-Israel rallies sweep W. Bank anew

TEL AVIV, March 29 (Agencies) — New protest rallies against Israeli rule erupted in West Bank areas overnight and 20 persons were arrested in the town of Beit Sahour Monday.

The uprising was sparked by the dismissals last week of three locally-elected Arab

Kingdom backs Arab uprising

RIYADH, March 29 (SPA) — Saudi Arabia Monday reasserted that it backed the steadfastness of the Palestinian people and their heroic uprising in the occupied Arab territories. A statement to this effect was made by Information Minister Dr. Muhammad Abdo Yamani after the weekly cabinet meeting presided over by Prince Abdullah, the second deputy premier and commander of the National

Guard. Dr. Yamani said that the cabinet reviewed reports on the situation in the occupied Arab territories and the heroic resistance put up by the Palestinian people against the enemy's designs and the savage repression to which the citizens are subjected. The cabinet reaffirmed its backing of the steadfastness of the Palestinian people and supported the "heroic uprising of a people wanting to establish their right to live in a homeland and combat injustice and persecution."

Prince Abdullah conveyed to the cabinet the interest vested by King Khaled and Crown Prince Fahd in the subject. He said that the king and the crown prince were eying with deep concern the turn of events.

The cabinet then examined and approved the by-laws of the Supreme Information Council. It also approved the security agreements with the United Arab Emirates, Oman and Qatar after a brief meeting by Interior Minister Prince Naif.

mayors by the Israeli occupation authorities. Instead of pro-PLO West Bank leaders, Israel is encouraging puppets willing to cooperate with its new civilian administration in the occupied territories. Government sources said the Israeli crackdown was prompted by reports that the PLO had organized a campaign of resistance to take place in May, soon after Begin's administration is due to complete Israeli withdrawal from the Sinai.

A general strike called by Palestinian leaders on the West Bank and in Gaza appeared to be intensified Monday. All the shops remained closed. Arab leaders have proposed another strike Tuesday, known as "land day", to mark the sixth anniversary of bloody clashes with Israeli security forces over the confiscation of Arab properties.

Palestinians of the occupied areas, where eight Arabs have been killed by Israeli gunfire during the present uprising, condemned the use of rubber bullets by the military authorities. Last Saturday, rubber bullets were fired by Israeli soldiers as they dispersed an Arab demonstration in Nablus, the main West Bank town.

Arab sources said Monday that five more members of Israeli-sponsored village leagues in the West Bank had resigned following Jordanian threats to bring treason charges against them.

Meanwhile, Israel warned Jordan of reprisals if it went through with its threat of confiscating Jordanian property of those local councilmen on the West Bank not resigning from their posts.

The warning was issued by a spokesman for the Israeli Foreign Ministry. He said that Israel took "very seriously" declaration by the Jordanian government to that effect and wished to remind it that "numerous Jordanian officials own property on the West Bank, including King Hussein himself." Israel could seize all this if Jordan confiscates the property of the councilmen.

In East Jerusalem, two Arabic newspapers, *Al-Fajr* and *Al-Shaab*, announced they were going on strike for one day because the Israeli occupation authorities have banned their sale in the West Bank and Gaza Strip since last Friday.

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King, Stevens discuss ties

JEDDAH, March 29 (SPA) — President Siaka Stevens of Sierra Leone arrived here Monday from Riyadh where he had a round of talks with King Khaled about bilateral relations and other issues of mutual interest. The talks were attended on the Saudi Arabian side by Prince Abdullah, second deputy premier and commander of the National Guard, Defense Minister Prince Sultan, Foreign Minister Prince Saud, Finance and National Economy Minister Sheikh Muhammad Abdu Al Khalil, Commerce Minister Dr. Soliman Solaiman, Education Minister Dr. Abdul Aziz Al Khuwair and Abbas Ghazzawi, director of Asian and African affairs at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs.

Iraq rebuts Iran claims

PARIS, March 29 (Agencies) — Iraq Monday denied Iranian press reports that 18 of its planes were destroyed in recent fighting in the central sector of the front with Iran, an Iraqi News Agency report monitored here said.

The Iraqi Air Force was in complete control of the air, a military spokesman said. "The air force has carried out 562 raids against enemy military positions over the past 10 days while helicopters have gone into action 245 times," for the loss of two planes and five helicopters, he added.

In Yugoslavia, a top Iraqi official was quoted Monday as saying Iraq was prepared to give up some of the territory it has seized from Iran as part of a negotiated settlement to the neighboring countries' 18-month-old war.

Taha Yassin Ramadan, first deputy premier and head of the Iraqi army, said his country was prepared to give up the land if Iran recognized Iraq's "fundamental rights."

U.S. firm on arms buildup

SEOUL, March 29 (Agencies) — Declaring that the United States has made clear it intends to remain a Pacific power, U.S. Defense Secretary Caspar Weinberger said Monday that a substantial improvement in military capability and assets are necessary to counter the Soviets in the region.

He said the threat was increased as "the Soviet Union has embarked on an aggressive foreign policy which has taken a variety of forms in recent years, but which has as its central objective the extinction of Soviet power throughout the world."

Weinberger cited the Soviet intervention in Afghanistan and Moscow's "aggressive policy" in Poland, and said Soviet pressure in the Middle East is obvious from Iran to

Arab capital for regional growth urged

By Ahmad Khursi
Arab News Staff

TAJF, March 29 — A preparatory conference of the Union of Arab Chambers of Commerce has called for a freer flow of Arab investment funds harnessed to the vision of an integrated regional development. It urged a stop to the dispensing of largesse by Arab world as it depletes resources.

As a prelude to the main investors' conference slated for Tuesday, the meeting focused attention on the need to encourage investment as a hedge against security risks by virtue of funds being funnelled to regional projects.

It acknowledged that Arab cooperation in the field of investment had given a fillip to the movement toward integrating the economies of the Arab countries. Although the cooperation has taken a visible form in the creation of financial institutions, the flow of funds is still limited and takes place without a wider regional perspective.

The conference emphasized the role which the private sector can play at the regional and national levels in promoting investment and creating joint ventures. In this way, its role supplements the public sector's role in dispensing development funds.

However, the conference noted, the private sector can play a fuller role when there is freedom of movement for investors among Arab countries matched with a liberal flow of goods. It considered the creation of the Arab General Investments Company (based in Dubai) as an example of what the private sector can do in mobilizing resources and allocating them regionally and rationally.

The conference called upon Arab countries to evolve a strategy to achieve complementarity in agricultural produce. Considering the "alarming food gap" in the Arab world it urged governments to bridge it. It said the gap is likely to increase if serious measures are not adopted.

Ethiopia. "In other places, such as El Salvador and Angola, Soviet aims have been pursued by way of surrogate forces, most often from Cuba," he added. He said the Far East has not been exempt from Soviet expansionism, and "this trend of increasing Soviet strength poses a formidable threat to the maintenance of peace in the area."

Combined U.S.-South Korean military strength was adequate to counter the threat from North Korea, but North Korean and Soviet strength was increasing, he said. Noting that the United States was planning a \$1,600 million-arms build-up over the next five years, Weinberger said America had made it clear that it intended to remain a Pacific power.

EEC turns focus on unemployment

BRUSSELS, March 29 (Agencies) — A two-day summit of European Common Market leaders began Monday with an appeal for serious discussion on how to fight unemployment. Belgium Prime Minister Wilfried Martens, chairman of the summit, has put the economic problems of the European Economic Community (EEC) — whose nearly 11 million unemployed make up 9.5 percent of its workforce — at the top of a crowded agenda of internal and foreign political issues.

As the 10 leaders assembled at EEC headquarters in Brussels for their first summit meeting of 1982, Martens told them that they should achieve more than just their customary exchange of views on the economy. Aside from interal EEC problems, the 10 leaders are scheduled to look at East-West relations in the aftermath of the Polish military crackdown, the Middle East and Central America.

The EEC leaders were also expected to touch briefly on the problem created by Britain's demands for rebates on its community membership bill, which it says is too high. British officials said Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher intended to make a statement to the summit on the issue, but a Belgian spokesman said Martens did not want to get involved in detailed discussions. France has opposed British demands for a long-term system of budget refunds, and a French spokesman said Monday that the French government still maintained this stand.

The EEC budget dispute is to be negotiated in details by community foreign ministers in Luxembourg on Saturday, after negotiations between agricultural ministers later this week on the related question of farm prices.

Proposals for a new European economic treaty marked Monday's celebration of the 25th anniversary of the Rome treaty which set up the EEC and Euratom. In the presence of King Baudouin, some 200 top officials along with the heads of state and government from the 10 EEC countries gathered here for the ceremony.

The president of the EEC Commission, Gaston Thorn, and the speaker of the European Parliament, Piet Dankert, expressed concern over snags currently encountered in the community.

China sets terms to Russia

PEKING, March 29 (AFP) — Chinese Defense Minister Geng Biao said Monday there could be no improvement in Sino-Soviet relations as long as Soviet troops stayed in Afghanistan and Vietnamese soldiers remained in Cambodia.

After holding a meeting with Geng, Swedish army Chief-of-staff Gen. Lenhart Ljung told journalists that the Chinese defense minister had cited withdrawal from Afghanistan and Cambodia as examples of "substantive actions" the Soviet Union should accomplish before hoping for normalization of Sino-Soviet relations.

Geng's remark follows last week's call from Soviet President Leonid Brezhnev to

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Prince Fahd says in wide-ranging interview

Governmental, consultative system will be announced after new budget

RIYADH, March 29 (SPA) — Crown Prince Fahd has announced that the basic statute for government and consultative council (Shoura) system will be made public just two months after the publication of the new budget in July.

In an interview published by the Kuwait daily *As-Siyassah* Monday, Prince Fahd said: "We favor consultation and collective participation in the responsibility and welcome the elite to help us in the adoption of a suitable resolution in the interest of this country and its people." He added that any ruler who believes that he alone is capable of taking decisions without consulting (anyone) is a controlled ruler.

The crown prince called upon those who speak about the Kingdom from a distance to come and see the natural channels for the utilization of natural resources in the form of thousands of development projects in every sphere in the country. He declared that the Kingdom put forward its peace plan with the aim of formulating a unified Arab ideology. The plan is still on the Arab summit agenda but it was declared as Arab plan at the Fez summit.

Prince Fahd hoped the oil glut crisis would end within two or three months, reiterating the Kingdom's policy of commitment to a balance between reasonable prices and adequate production ratios. He said it is important for the peoples of the Gulf and the Arabian peninsula to realize that they are a joint financial power. He lauded the strong cooperation existing among the Gulf Cooperation

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Council member states which he said, is an eventual outcome of the absence of any ambitions of any Gulf state in another member state.

Prince Fahd said there are general Arab issues needing collective decisions, and there also are certain things which require time for solution. He added that the world had expected the Saudi-proposed eight-point peace plan would become the unanimous view of Arabs, but "some Arab brethren had a different opinion." When the matters got mixed up at Fez, "I called for the withdrawal of the Saudi plan but some (parties) wanted to keep it on the agenda, as it had become an Arab plan," the crown prince stated.

Referring to the advisory (Shoura) council, Prince Fahd observed that planning in some advanced dreams sometimes clashes with the actual confrontation of the realities, "especially when one wishes to achieve an advanced dream in a record time." This dream, he said, had occupied the mind of the

late King Faisal. It has actually delayed since the government announced an endorsement of this idea.

The time factor is not important in Saudi Arabia which has a society quite different from others. It is not only with abundant funds that the Kingdom realizes material progress; the Saudi society is now being

through the development of the natural resources. "We thought that the view on the Shoura should be complete from the aspect of the Saudi society is now being built; the fact that anyone of us, as a ruler, does not deny the significance of consultation sharing responsibilities."

"We know the people want to preserve their natural resources and use them in proper channels — a fact which is clear from the declared budgets. Additionally, the people want political decisions to safeguard their entity and national sovereignty," he added.

On foreign rumors about the use of oil funds, the crown prince said that those who speak so about the Kingdom should come here to see the networks of expressways, the housing projects and the productive development plants. He stressed that Saudi Arabia is accustomed to working quietly, "so much so that some projects are known only when they are completed."

He said Saudi Arabia is the only country in the world which preserves part of the shares of productive companies and, after these companies begin earning profits, the shares are ceded in favor of workers who pay their actual, and not market, value in a phased period without interests. Besides, the state does a lot in the field of agriculture. The Kingdom now produces 400,000 tons of grains. While earlier, it used to produce 36,000 tons and import 600,000 tons annually.

Prince Fahd said that such people must visit Al-Kharj to see the latest techniques being used in agricultural production. People have so much interest in agriculture that graduates from higher institutes now work in agricultural and other projects, since they are profitable and supported by the government.



Crown Prince Fahd

"Although oil is a significant wealth, we must create our own productive capabilities", he said.

Speaking on the oil policy, Prince Fahd said: "We have limited production to seven million barrels a day, though the Kingdom's productive capacity is 11 million bpd." He added that the Kingdom's policy was to increase prices in reasonable proportion within a reasonable period of time, so that there could be no misunderstanding at the world level which brings serious consequences for the producer or the consumer. Naturally, consumers want to safeguard their interests and, therefore, fight for the reduction in consumption. "The consumer has been gripped with a fear that the prices will continue to rise, and such a thing would naturally influence the economic studies of the productive projects in the industrialized nations," he added.

Prince Fahd said: "We did not exploit the opportunities. We rejected the offers by companies dealing with Arab oil-producing states, and asked them to return to the countries with which they were dealing." Saudi Arabia took into consideration the fact that oil is important for both the producer and the consumer and that the relation must be guided by a measure of sense and reason while fixing prices, he said.

becoming the property of the citizens of the GCC member states. Saudi Arabia's agricultural projects have produced tangible results which can create a state of food self-sufficiency in some products for the member states as well. What is important is the fact that the Gulf and Arabian peninsula peoples should realize that they are a joint financial power with mutual interest," he said.

Answering a question on the Cancun conference, Prince Fahd said Saudi Arabia was invited to the meeting and those who did so knew the country's role at the international level. "I was happy to attend the meeting for several reasons, most significant of which was a sense that I explained those figures which could not have been presented if Saudi Arabia had not attended the conference. As Arabs, it is our right to correct wrong information about ourselves."

Prince Fahd said he will pay a visit to Kuwait not only to meet with officials but to see the new generation. "I know that this generation wants to know from a close quarter about the political thinking of Saudi Arabia. I met with some university youth in the Kingdom, and I was very happy with a direct dialogue with them," he said.

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SR421m electricity contracts signed

RIYADH, March 29 (SPA) — Two contracts, worth SR421.4 million, were awarded Monday to national and foreign firms for electricity projects in Najran and Jouf.

Turkish fair to be held

By a Staff Writer

JEDDAH, March 29 — Turkey '82, an exhibition of the country's export products, will be held in Jeddah April 23 to May 1. The fair will demonstrate products of about 160 Turkish companies taking part. Display will range from construction materials and services to textiles, through foodstuffs, furniture, home appliances and electrical and communications equipment.

The fair is to be held at Jeddah International Expo Center.

BRIEFS

RIYADH (SPA) — A lecture on Islamic economy will be organized Tuesday evening by Imam Muhammad ibn Saud Islamic University's cultural committee. The lecture will be delivered by Dr. Muhammad Uos Al-Zarga, a staff member of Jeddah's Abdul Aziz University and the international Islamic economic research center.

ALKHOBAR (SPA) — The Gulf Girl Welfare Society of Alkhobar is currently engaged in organizing training sessions for female teachers and women here. The courses, part of the society's programs for this year, include a session for kindergarten teachers for which 10 women have been corollated.

DAMMAM (SPA) — An art exhibition will be organized here April 18 by the Eastern Province Education Directorate General.

The contracts were signed by Planning Minister Sheikh Hisham Nazer in his capacity as acting industry and electricity minister and chairman of the general electricity corporation.

One contract, worth SR118.9 million and won by the national firm, is the third and last of the main contracts for the Najran Central Electricity Project. It provides for import and installation of dual-circuit, 132-kilovolt aerial transmission line. The total length of the cables involved will be 36 kilometers, in addition to four transmission stations at 138/132 kilovolt tension. The stations' capacities will vary from 20 to 40 megavolt ampere. The project is to be completed within 25 months from the date of signing the contract.

Meanwhile, the second contract, valued at SR302.3 million, provides for supply and

installation of five gas-powered turbine units with an overall productive capacity of 125 megawatt for Jouf Central Electricity Project. The contract, to be implemented by a foreign company, also includes necessary buildings for the project with all facilities.

This provides for an administrative offices' building, a technical training center, a library, a clinic, a mosque, warehouses, fuel tanks, and parking lots. Completion is scheduled for 23.5 months from the date of signing the contract.

The Saudi Petrochemical Company (Petrokemya) has signed contracts for the construction and overall management and engineering procurement of its £500 million petro-chemical complex. The deal was signed with Foster-Wheeler Energy and Foster-Wheeler of Saudi Arabia.

Industry prize giving delayed

RIYADH, March 29 (SPA) — The awarding of King Khaled prize for the ideal industry and the Industry and Electricity Ministry's prizes for maintenance and safety has been delayed, a senior official of the ministry announced Monday.

Dr. Fuad Al-Farsi, deputy industry and electricity minister, said that the ceremony which was scheduled for Sunday under the

auspices of Riyadh Governor Prince Salman has been delayed to a later date.

About 50 national plants are competing for the prizes which are given in the form of gold and silver shields. The annual event, which began in 1977, is planned to encourage industries achieve higher standards in performance and production.

Noted engineer of Bangladesh expires here

By a Staff Writer

JEDDAH, March 29 — A world renowned Bangladeshi engineer Fazl Rahman Khan died here of a heart attack Sunday according to Bangladesh embassy sources.

Khan 52, lived in the U.S. for many years and came to the Kingdom on behalf of his company, Skidmore Owings & Merrill, which helped in designing the haj terminal of King Abdul Aziz International Airport.

Khan whose name is featured in the Encyclopedia Britannica as an acknowledged leader in his field developed revolutionary techniques used in building the world's tallest buildings including the 110-storey Chicago Sears Tower.

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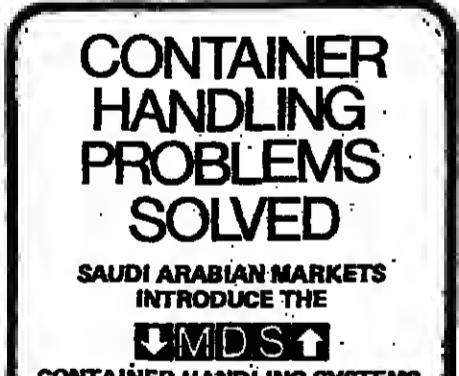
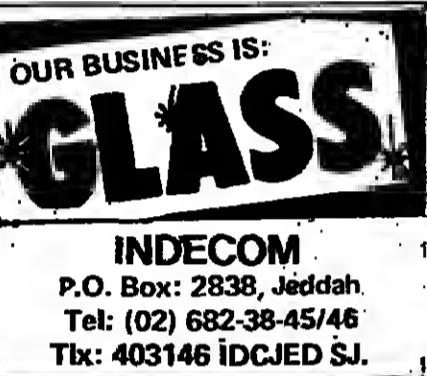
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Arab foreign ministers ponder W. Bank today

TUNIS, March 29 (AP) — Arab League Secretary General Chadi Klibi said Monday recent turmoil on the Israeli-occupied West Bank was perhaps "the eve of events which could threaten equilibrium in the Middle East."

Arab League foreign ministers will hold a special meeting here Tuesday to discuss the West Bank, where Palestinians and Israeli authorities have been clashing for the past month.

In an interview with AFP here, Klibi said Arab foreign ministers felt "The Palestinian combat in the occupied territories is entering

Pakistan raps Israel for W. Bank terror

ISLAMABAD, March 29 (R) — Pakistan Monday condemned what it called an escalation of the Israeli "reign of terror" in the occupied West Bank.

A government statement said the paramount responsibility of the world community was to restrain Israel from "perpetuating its dangerous policies which constitute a grave threat to world peace and security." "In this hour of trial, the people of Pakistan, as always, stand steadfast with their Palestinian brethren who are the main victims of these criminal acts of Israel," the statement said.

The Pakistani statement said the present situation in the West Bank was the direct consequence of what it called Israel's illegal actions to consolidate its occupation.

Ben Bella speech leads to clashes

BELFORT, France, March 29 (AP) — Several persons were injured Sunday night when former Algerian President Ahmed Ben Bella tried to speak in a group of Algerian workers in this eastern French city, police said.

Some 400 supporters and opponents of Ben Bella started shouting at each other and then began fighting with iron bars before police arrived to restore order. Ben Bella, Algeria's first president after independence from France, managed a few words before abandoning his speech.

He denounced the government of President Chadli Benjedid in Algiers saying it was corrupt and charged Algerian industry existed only to satisfy foreign needs. His opponents come from an organization of

Indian statement annoys Pakistan

ISLAMABAD, March 29 (AP) — The Pakistani government Monday deplored a statement allegedly made here by departing Indian Ambassador Natwar Singh and called on the Indian government to help remove tensions in this region.

A foreign spokesman said Singh had shown "insensitivity to the feelings of the people of Pakistan" in his alleged statements to the English language daily *Muslim* of Islamabad. Singh was quoted as saying that Pakistan should cut down its armed forces to half because it has become smaller in size after the separation of former East Pakistan province — now independent Bangladesh.

The Pakistani spokesman said: "It is Pakistan's exclusive right to determine the size of its armed forces and it will take whatever decision are deemed necessary in its national

interest, without unsolicited advice from others." The spokesman said, "Pakistan does not question India's right to determine the size and nature of its own armed forces in respect of the fact India's military might is being rapidly augmented."

Singh has been named to serve as permanent secretary in the Indian External Affairs Ministry. In that capacity, he will be responsible for Indo-Pakistani relations. Discussing the future of accession of the state of Jammu and Kashmir, in despite between India and Pakistan since 1947, the Pakistani spokesman said: "The Kashmir dispute exists and has to be resolved." He added, "It is not a closed issue."

The spokesman expressed the hope that Islamabad's "desire for elimination of tension will be reciprocated by India."

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PARIS, March 29 (AP) — An Afghan rebel group has created a postal service between the southern region of Wardak and foreign countries, according to a letter received here from the group.

The organization, which calls itself the Military Command of the Province of Free Wardak, sent the letter with a green, white and gold stamp, with lettering in Farsi, Arabic and French. It was postmarked in Peshawar, Pakistan, and addressed to AFP in Paris.

The letter, signed by Muhammad Amin Wardak, military head of the group, said the postal service was set up to contest the legality of the Afghan government. "It is an historic event, because it is the first time Mujahideen stamps have existed," Wardak said in the letter. "It proves our sovereignty."

Wardak also called for Afghanistan's exclusion from the Universal Postal Union, and its replacement by a "delegation of the postal administration of free Afghanistan."

The first stamp of the "Wardak Free Post," as the service is called, was issued Dec. 27, the second anniversary of the Soviet intervention in Afghanistan, the letter said.

Teachers boycott classes in Sind

KARACHI, March 29 (R) — Several thousand teachers boycotted classes in Pakistan's Sind province Sunday to protest against the police use of teargas and baton charges at rallies by teachers earlier this month, a teachers' association spokesman said.

He said teachers at colleges and schools went on strike for two hours in the morning and two hours in the evening.

The earlier rallies were held in Punjab and North-West Frontier Provinces in defiance of the military government's ban on public gatherings. Teachers in the two provinces have been on strike since early this month to press their demand for higher wages.

Jordan official denied entry visa by Syria

AMMAN, March 29 (AP) — Jordan Sunday charged Syria refused to allow a Jordanian official permission to visit Syria to attend the funeral of a prominent Druze leader, according to official sources here.

The sources, who declined to be identified in accordance with government rules, said an official Jordanian request to Syria to allow the Jordanian official, who was not named, to attend the funeral of Sultan Pasha Al-Atash, was rejected.

Al-Atash, a prominent Druze leader and a nationalist political activist, was expelled from Syria in the early 1950s and sought asylum in Jordan. He later returned to Syria where he died two days ago.

Syria and Jordan have been at odds following charges by Syria that Jordan is supporting Syrian Islamic extremists. Jordan earlier this year accused Syria of being behind a string of bombings in Amman and expelled a Syrian diplomat from the Jordanian capital. Syria later pulled out its diplomats from Jordan which reciprocated by recalling its diplomats in Damascus.

UAE envoy leaves Lebanese capital

BEIRUT, March 29 (AP) — The ambassador from the United Arab Emirates left the Lebanese capital unexpectedly Monday in the latest of a series of hurried departures by foreign diplomats stationed here.

Reliable sources said three other U.A.E. diplomats had already left the country and only local employees were now operating the embassy. As in other recent departures, the Lebanese Foreign Ministry was not notified that the U.A.E. ambassador was leaving.

In recent weeks, diplomats from Kuwait, Jordan and Bahrain have also left Beirut. The Jordanian embassy here, for example, no longer has anyone on hand to grant visa requests.

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Haig hopes Sinai pullout will lead to autonomy progress

WASHINGTON, March 29 (R) — U.S. Secretary of State Alexander Haig said Sunday Israel's final withdrawal from the Sinai next month should open the way to progress in the talks over Palestinian autonomy.

Speaking in a television interview, Haig also said he did not believe Israel's recent actions in the occupied West Bank, including the dismissal of three Arab mayors, was a move toward annexation of the area. He added that Israeli Prime Minister Menachem Begin had pledged to honor provisions of the Camp David accords, setting a period of five years to resolve the status of the West Bank and Gaza.

"I'm optimistic that they will be as good as their word, as they will be with the return of the Sinai scheduled for the month of April," Haig said. Israel is due to complete its withdrawal from the Sinai April 25. An international peacekeeping force, including contingents from the United States and Western

Europe, will patrol the area after the Israeli withdrawal.

The Israeli-Egyptian talks over autonomy for Palestinians living in occupied areas have been deadlocked for more than two years.

Haig said relinquishing the Sinai was "very traumatic" for Israel because the territory had been considered a strategic buffer. The withdrawal also had meant uprooting settlers who had lived there for some time.

Velayati to visit Pakistan

BEIRUT, March 29 (AP) — Iran's foreign minister Ali-Akbar Velayati will begin a four-day visit Tuesday to Pakistan, Tehran radio reported Monday.

The state-run radio said Velayati will head a high-ranking delegation and will hold talks with Pakistani leaders on ways of "developing political, economic and cultural relations between the two countries."

Three killed as militias clash in Sidon

BEIRUT, March 29 (AP) — Three militiamen were killed and nine others wounded in two days of street clashes between rival militias in the Lebanese port city of Sidon, the state radio reported Monday.

The Radio said the clashes which pitted a Palestinian group, the Palestine Struggle Front, against a local nationalist group, erupted Sunday afternoon over a dispute on parking priorities. It said fighting with all types of weapons was resumed Monday and spread to all parts of Sidon which lies 40 kms south of Beirut.

The radio also reported a bomb exploded in a restaurant in the Palestinian-controlled port city of Tyre, 40 kms south of Sidon, causing no casualties.

Meanwhile, Israeli jets broke the sound barrier over Beirut at midday, the state radio said.

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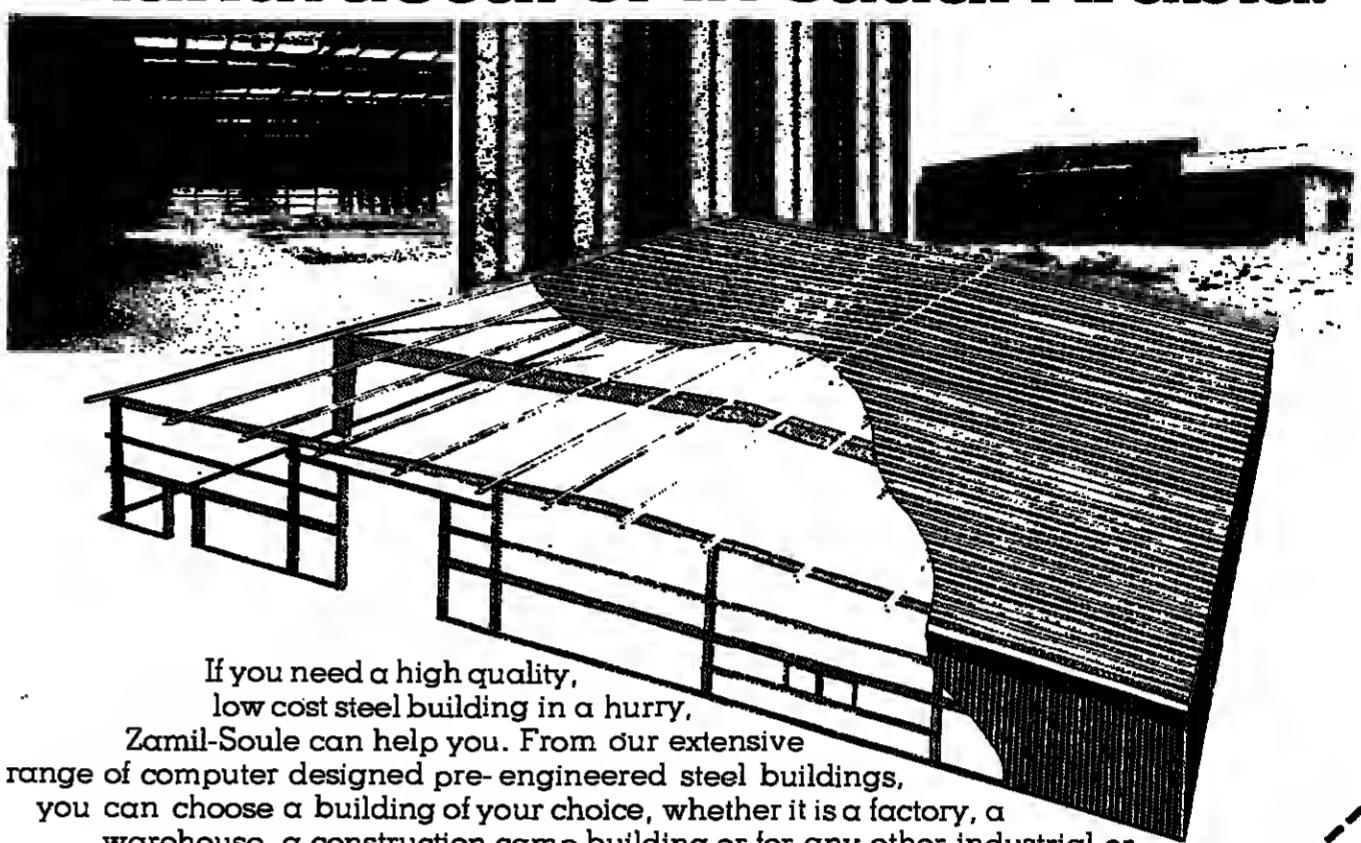
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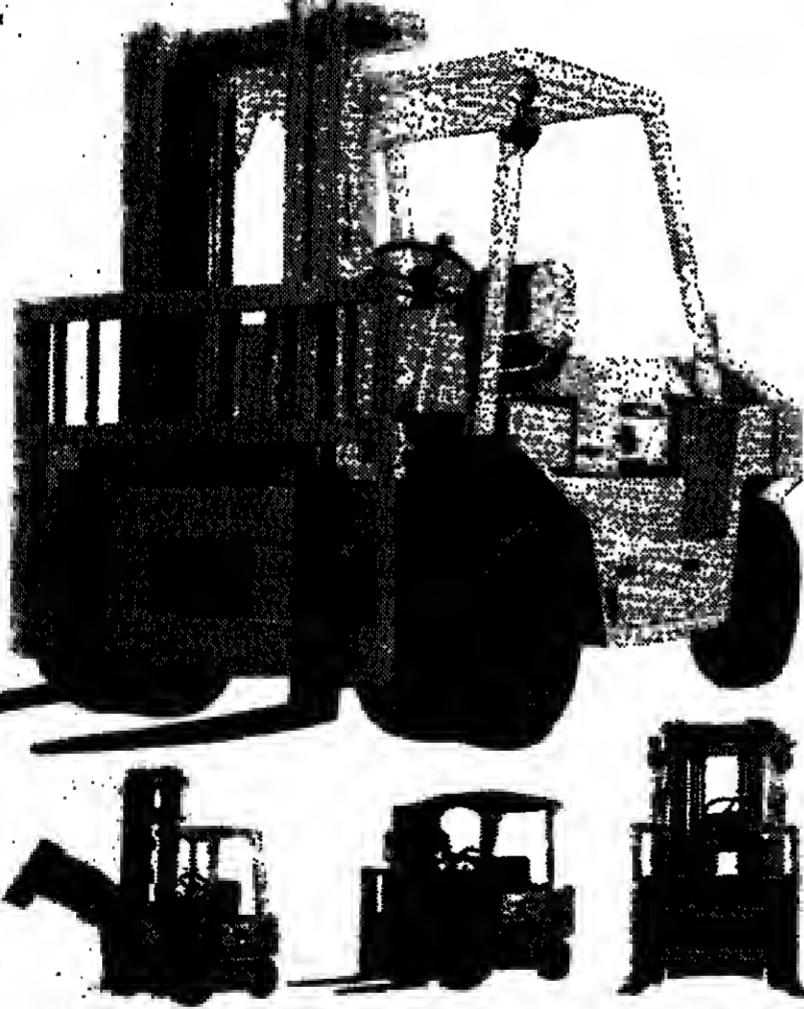
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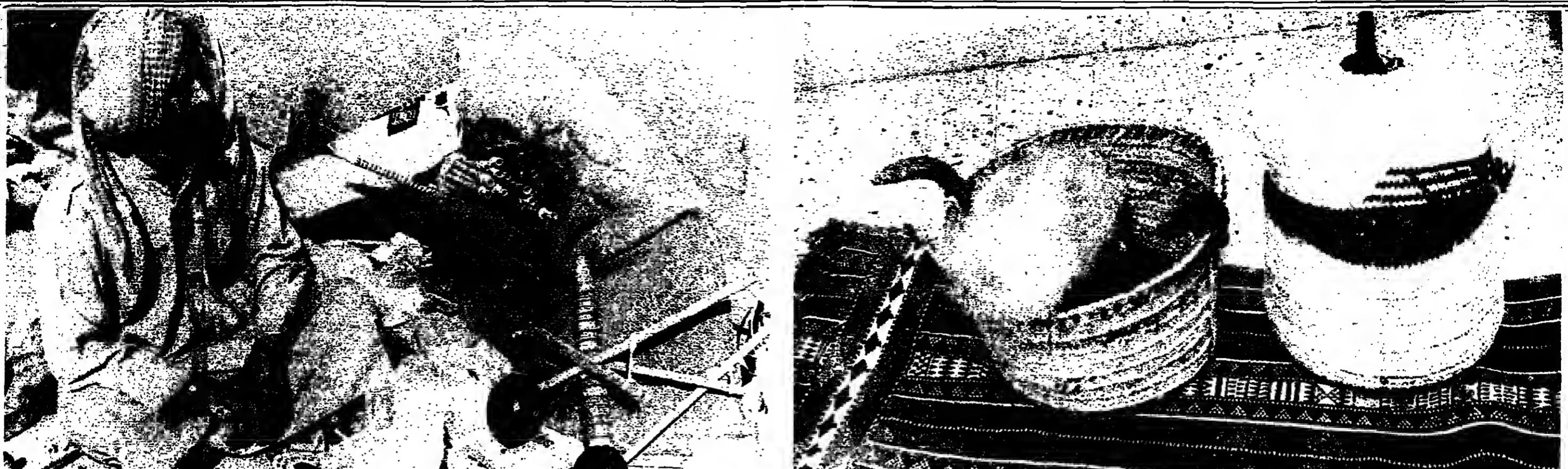
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QATIF MARKET SCENES: Several merchants selling their wares at the Thursday market. Left, the shisha booth sells several different modes and several types of tobacco are also available nearby. Right, a pet cat lies inside a woven basket at a booth selling baskets and woven rugs.

Saudi Arabian hawkers have their own character

Qatif town market is a microcosm of the hurly burly and excitement

By Jean Grant
Alkhobar Bureau

QATIF — To borrow from Samuel Johnson's opinion of London, whoever is tired of Qatif's Thursday market, may very well be tired of life itself, for there is in the Qatif market much that life can afford. This small-town market is a microcosm of the hurly burly and excitement of daily life with the traditional cries of bawkers, the dazzling array of good from far places, congestion, and the jostling and boggling as the curious crowd around the stalls.

Local markets are still a feature of European life, but in America they have weekly accepted a death warrant meted out to them by the rise of gigantic supermarkets. The American marketplace no longer wears a human face: agents, brokers, warehousemen, wholesalers, and retailers have taken over. You can't pinch the tomatoes or sniff the meat; thanks (but no thanks) to plastic wrap. You don't pay hard cash in a credit card society. You needn't baffle a word to a soul as you silently load up your cart in the lonely crowd of consumers. Shopping is an anonymous and depersonalized activity. Despite the claim of the hit tune, "Downtown," you're not likely to forget all your troubles, forget all your cares," in department store or supermarket.

You just might, however, at a local Saudi

Arabian market. Although supermarkets are encroaching on the marketplace in Alkhobar and Dammam, the Thursday Market is still alive and kicking in Qatif. Americans who don't know the joys and frustrations of this market shopping often first meet them here. Some get hooked and mark every Thursday as a red-letter day on their calendars.

At the Qatif market, there are no discouraging "Fixed Price" signs. The raw reality of the marketplace prevails: the lower the price, the more baskets the basket lady can sell. Smiles are part of the hard sell. There is time in the bargaining to share stray thoughts and fancies. The bright sun of the open-air souq warms the encounter between seller and buyer.

The bourgeois magnates are absent in the market which has a strong working class base. Labor costs are still low enough to compete with self-service. Many who live in the tri-city area of Dammam, Al-Khobar and Dhahran shop here to save riyals. Saudi Arabians shop for fruits and vegetables, fresher here than in the supermarkets; old-timers among the expatriates join them, but newcomers to Arabia are generally out to buy local crafts; the weavings and basketry for which Qatif is famous.

By 8 a.m. on Thursday, half a dozen women have already settled comfortably

under the shaded arcades conveniently located near the municipal parking lot. They huddle over brightly tasseled camel bags and Bedouin carpets. Some of these weavings are somber in color, using the natural browns and blacks of goat and camel hair; others are vibrant with reds and oranges. All have stripes and geometric designs.

The work these women are selling is not that of some faceless stranger, but the work of their own benna bands. As one weaver smoothed out a strip of carpet, she pointed out how even it was.

This Bedouin handweaving is one of the most developed art forms in the country. It is currently more admired by Western expatriates than by Saudi Arabians themselves. Yet as they notice Western appreciation of this craft, Saudi Arabians may take a second, more appreciative look at this native craft while it still flourishes. Tourism, at the same time, threatens the authenticity of the weavings. Camel saddles are more sought after than carpets since buyers know they will provide a conversation piece in an American home. Consequently, prices for camel saddles are very high in the Qatif market. One weaver had even sewn up the two ends of a carpet to make it look more like a camel saddle. Prices generally have

risen may be running out for this traditional craft. Most of these weavers, who are now in their forties, have tried to pass on their skills to daughters just as their mothers taught them. Their daughters and granddaughters, however, prefer the sewing machine to the handloom. Sewing on an electric machine is fast, easy, and light work. Weaving on a hand loom is not.

There is a lot of work to be done before the first shuttle flies on the loom. After the sheep or camel is sheared, the women wash the wool and spin small quantities of it at a time. They twist two skeins to make them double-ply; then they dye the wool. Buyers should beware: since many dyes are not color-fast, such Bedouin weavings should be dry-cleaned rather than washed.

Weaving — which is easier on sand than on concrete — requires strength and dexterity. The woman sits astride the loom to weave; the width of the loom is whatever a comfortable arm span is for the weaver. This, incidentally, accounts for the similarity in width of weavings. The length, on the other hand, changes according to the size of the item to be woven.

When Aramcons, Northrup, and UPM people are not after weavings, they are off to find the basket song. It is located about a kilometer away at the end of the large clothing and novelties souq. The palm leaves

from which the baskets are plaited come from the local date palms and the baskets retain the sweet smell of nature.

The women soak the leaves so that they will be pliable and not break when woven into baskets. Like weaving, basketry is a craft solely in the hands of women. Last Thursday, the buyers were also women: as with carpets, it is mainly expatriates who do the buying. One involved in last minute shopping before repatriation wanted to cart these baskets halfway across the globe to hold logs for crackling fires; another wanted a couple for magazine holders;

Although the day was cool, the woman doing the briskest business was the one who had cornered the market on fans. These six-inch squares in a lattice design are gaily checkered in green, henna, and magenta. Woven round a stick, they cheer the eye and cool the brow: a bargain at SR 2 a piece.

While at one end of the souq, expatriates were bargaining for baskets, at the other end, Saudi Arabians were buying *Shishas*, the water pipes nicknamed bubbly-bubbles. These were sensibly located next to the stalls of the tobacco-leaf sellers, where the bat brown, withered leaves, stacked in hundreds of bunches, filled the air with an alluring aroma.

Little wonder that a popular men's col-

ogne is named TABAC. The dealers weighed, balanced and then handed over the fragrant sheaves — SR40 for the Yemeni, SR50 for the Omani tobacco. Once you have your tobacco, nothing will do but to get a *Shisha* in which to smoke it. These in Qatif are of two types: the first has a pottery base with a gaily-striped pipe poking out of a hole halfway up the pot. Another pipe sticks out of the opening at the top of the pot. The other design comes from Bahrain. Its base is a gourd with simple undecorated wooden pipes connected to it. Merchant Abdul Habib Hassan Janabi sang its praises. "This *Shisha* speaks Hindi as well as English and French," he claimed. "It is the best."

Sooner or later at market, hunger strikes. The Qatifis set to it that no one need go home for a bite before completing his business. There was *Fellafel* spicy, deep fried Egyptian beans; the pretzel-shaped caramelized confection called *Zalabia* for the shopper with a sweet tooth; and fresh coconut backed open on the spot for the health food addict.

"To market, to market..." goes the children's journey rhyme. "Home again, home again, jiggedy, jig," it finishes. "Jiggedy, jig" is just the right note of abandon and gaiety that Qatif Market offers the carefree shop-

Injured youth prodded as Kansas neighbors help with his therapy

By Charles Hillinger

SHALLOW WATER, Kan. — As the high school band struck up the Beavers' fight song, basketball players carried the limp form of Bob Vulgamore, 18, across the gym floor. They handed their former teammate to a half girl in the rooting section.

"Hi, Bob" the shouts rang through the gym as everyone rose to their feet to welcome the young man, by now propped up by the rooters into a sitting position.

Cheerleaders jumped up and down, waving blue and white pompons, yelling: "Yeah! Yeah! Bob!"

Bob Vulgamore gets the same enthusiastic reception every time he is carried into the stands at Scott Community High School stadium for a rodeo, track meet or football game — teams are also played on before he fell from his horse, Dusty, on March 9, 1980.

Last spring the high school's junior-senior prom was dedicated to Bob Vulgamore. And Bob was there, in a new suit, seated in a special chair of honor. Throughout the evening his classmates stopped by to talk to him, filling him in with the latest news and gossip.

On Saturday nights, girlfriends carry Bob from his farmhouse, sit him up in their car, then drive off to Scott City, the county seat, to "drag man," the time-honored high school tradition of driving bumper-to-bumper back and forth through the small town.

No one, however, is certain how much awareness the 6-foot-3 youth has for what is going on around him.

He is unable to talk, unable to respond or communicate in any way.

He was in a coma for 220 days after his fall and has been in a semi-conscious state with brain damage ever since.

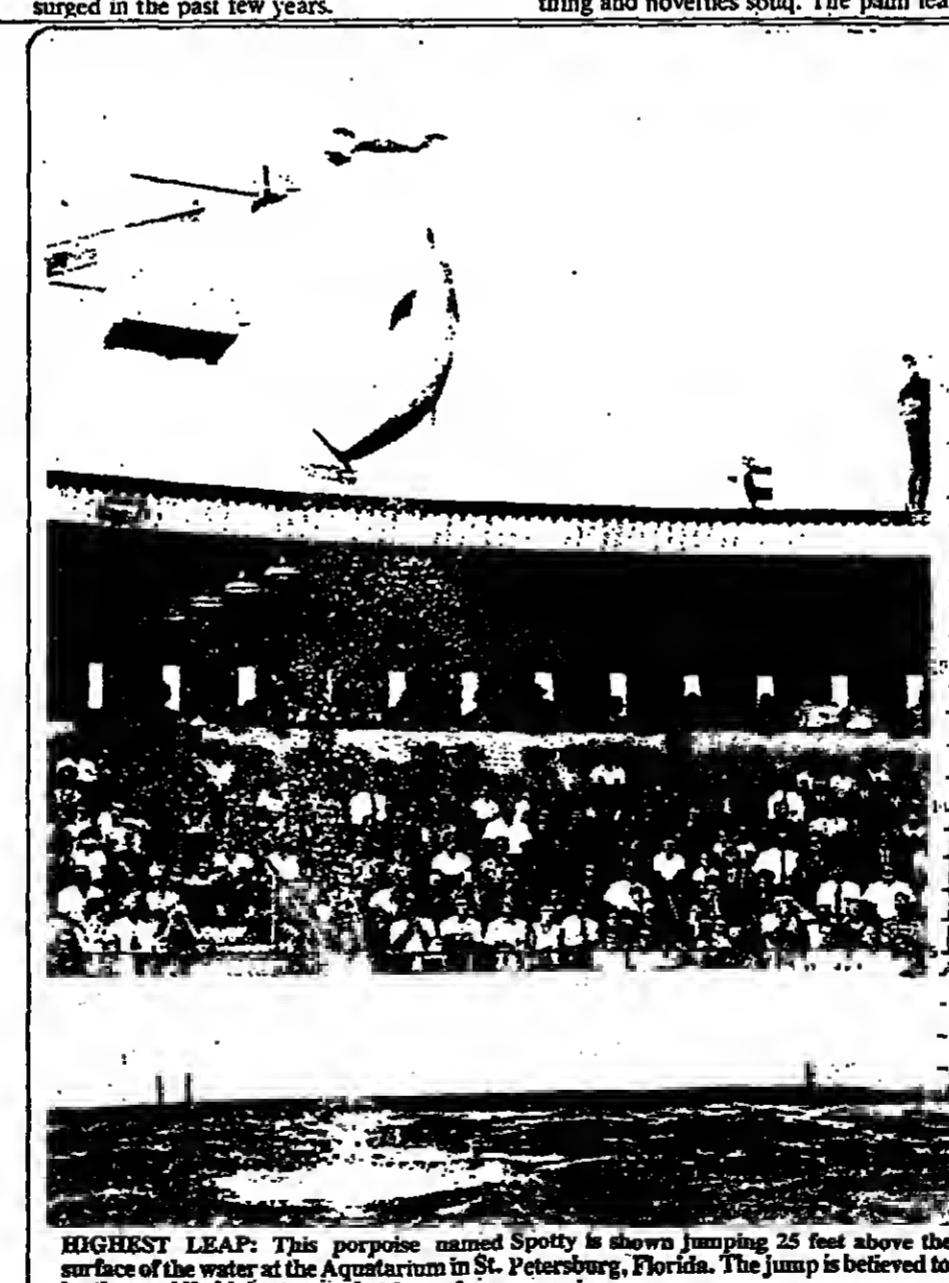
Bob's parents, farmers Clara and Earl Vulgamore of Shallow Water, population 110, and the 6,000 people of rural Scott County on the plains of western Kansas hope that he will eventually recover through an intensified seven-day-a-week therapy program and through letting him be part of what would have been his normal activities.

For the last 18 months — August, 1980, 175 residents of Shallow Water, Scott City, Friend and Peace, tiny towns in Scott County, have come to the Vulgamore home every week to help Bob win his battle for a normal life.

They are members of "Bob's team" — his volunteer therapists.

Many are farmers, like the Vulgamores, although there are also ministers, bankers, merchants, teachers, coaches, nurses, policemen, classmates, neighbors, boys and girls in their teens and men and women as old as their 70s. And they are all of the same resolve: To keep coming to the Vulgamore farmhouse to provide Bob with therapy no matter how many months or years his recovery may take.

The 175 volunteers make up Bob's "patenting" teams — five members to a team



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"Bob's eyes were blank when he came out of the coma. There was no tracking with his eyes at first. Now he follows us around the room," said Nadine Gies, 53, a member of the Scott County ambulance crew.

Aegidina Werth, 65, of Kansas Newman College in Wichita prescribed the therapy.

She visits the Vulgamore farm at least once a month, sometimes staying as long as a week.

"I see progress every time I visit Bob. I know he's going on. He is much more alert all the time. This week, for the first time, he nodded his head on command," she said.

"We're working on the premise that, by movement and stimulating of the body and senses, repeated often enough, it's possible to program that part of the brain not damaged.

to take over the function of the brain cells that were destroyed. There are millions of brain cells to work with. But it's a very gradual process."

Aegidina Werth will not predict the time needed. "I originally asked the people of Scott County for a two-year commitment. Now I'm asking for at least three more."

She has been assured by the volunteers that they will stick with the therapy program as long as it takes.

"I've seen worse than Bob come back and walk again, come back and be able to take care of themselves, become self-supporting individuals," she insisted.

"Bob was roping calves in the arena he built our back," Vulgamore recalled. "His mother was in the kitchen. I was away and drove up the drive and saw Dusty, his horse, standing by the back door of the house.

"We went looking for Bob. He had to have been thrown from the horse no more than 30

Death of Marseilles official results in French election turmoil

By Charles Bremner

PARIS (R) — Medical and ballistics experts are investigating the death of a senior French civil servant whose apparent suicide recently sparked a political row on the eve of nationwide voting for local councils.

Albert Vilatte, public prosecutor of the Mediterranean city of Marseilles, launched the inquiry after newspapers revealed police reports that civil servant Rene Lucet, 38, died from two rather than the bullet wound to the head. The body was exhumed for examination.

Lucet, who had built up a reputation as a brilliant but unorthodox and anti-union administrator, died in the early hours of March 4. Police said he shot himself.

Several days earlier, Nicole Quesniaux, minister for national solidarity in the Socialist government, had fired him from his job as head of the Marseilles region social security fund.

The government said there were irregularities in Lucet's management of the fund, the biggest financial operation in the region, but the right-wing RPR and UDF parties said he was the victim of a political whitewash.

The police said they were not convinced by this explanation, particularly since the body had been moved and there were drops of blood on the ceiling.

The Marseilles prosecutor will decide whether to order a police investigation or close the case after the team of experts decides whether the shooting was suicide or not.

Political commentators said the Lucet affair would have an effect on the decisive second round voting for seats on the country's 95 departmental or county, councils.

Hunger, malnutrition are forecast for Africa in 80s

NAIROBI (AFP) — Hunger and malnutrition can be expected to become far more widespread in Africa in the 1980s, mainly because of lack of aid in agricultural production and poor coordination among international donor agencies, according to a report of the World Food Council.

WFC Executive Director Maurice J. Williams said that the threat of greater hunger and malnutrition came in a region where "mortality rates are already among the highest in the world."

"Decline of food production per person was 7 percent in the 1960s, accelerating downwards with a decline of 15 percent in the 1970s. Preliminary estimates point to further deterioration in the 1980s," Williams said.

He noted that per capita food consumption is 10 percent less today than it was a decade ago — in spite of a doubling of grain imports in the 1970s to 11 million tons.

Williams' report was submitted to the representative of 10 African states.

The World Food Council, set up by the United Nations General Assembly in 1974 in response to a crisis in world food production, aims at encouraging governments, and the

world community in general, to work to reduce hunger. It plays no executive role in planning or production.

Total aid to sub-Saharan Africa is relatively high, the report noted, rising from \$4.1 billion in 1977 to \$7.4 billion in 1980, a jump of 80 percent.

Public contributions to development programs throughout the world rose by only 66 percent over the same period.

The report said that of 22 world bank projects approved (in sub-Saharan Africa) only two are described specifically in terms of raising domestic output. Seven are directed to a mix of export crops and associated food crop objectives, four are focused on non-food crops, and the remaining eight projects are directed to general rural development.

In a separate study, an analysis by the U.S. Agency for International Development (USAID) showed that "out of 57 projects in Africa, 218 were expected to have some impact on food production. But only 22 of these projects — representing about 7 percent of the total projects by value — were directly concerned with food crop production."

With Soviets

Reagan to back call for N-arms cut talks

WASHINGTON, March 29 (AP) — U.S. President Ronald Reagan is expected to back a call for U.S.-Soviet negotiations to gradually reduce nuclear weapons at a news conference this week, according to government officials.

Reagan has rejected a proposal sponsored by 20 U.S. senators and 154 House of Representatives members for an immediate freeze on nuclear arms, contending such a move would place the United States at a disadvantage.

Instead, the president is expected to follow the suggestions contained in a bipartisan

China to screen anti-Mao movie

PEKING, March 29 (AP) — A film version of a play which in the early 1960s was seen as an attack on Mao Tse-tung is soon to appear on Chinese cinema screens, according to the new English-language magazine *China's Screen*.

The play, *The Revenge of Li Huiang*, provoked passionate debate when it opened in 1961. Its dialogue carried clear allusions to Chairman Mao's mistakes during the period of the "great leap forward", a campaign which was responsible for disastrous famines during the late 1950s.

The magazine said that the film, to be made in Shanghai Studios, would be based on the opera version of the play which enjoyed considerable success in China in 1980. The story centers on Li Hui, a concubine of Prime Minister Jia Sidao of the southern Song Dynasty (1127-1279), who made himself very unpopular by arbitrarily confiscating land, causing poverty in the countryside.

In nationwide survey

Paper exposes U.K. violence

LONDON, March 29 (AP) — *The Daily Mirror*, in a major expose of England's rising crime rate, Monday published gruesome details of an on-the-spot survey of street violence across the country and concluded that most is carried out indiscriminately and without cause.

Under the headline "Our Violent Streets," the left-wing tabloid, which recently won a television award for the best national newspaper, described how an innocent man had his face shattered by a bottle, how a 16-year-old youth beat up his mother because he didn't like the food and how a frail pensioner was kicked and punched on his 71st birthday.

The survey came less than two weeks after official figures revealed that violent crime increased by 10 percent last year, and by 34 percent in London alone. The statistics immediately triggered demands for tougher measures against criminals, including the restoration of the death penalty, abolished in 1965.

The Daily Mirror said it carried out its appraisal, with the help of local police forces and hospitals, in the 12 hours between 18.00 GMT Friday and 06.00 GMT Saturday.

It said a team of reporters went out on to the streets of eight major cities — London, Manchester, Liverpool, Newcastle, Coventry, Birmingham, Leicester and Bristol — "recording the horror of attacks as they happened."

In Manchester, the newspaper concentrated on the case of Garry, a television engineer who almost lost an eye after a bottle was smashed in his face at a discotheque where he was celebrating the marriage of his best friend.

Garry, 22, whose blood-stained face was pictured on an adjacent page, needed 12 stitches in hospital. He was the victim of just one of 703 crimes, ranging from theft to wounding, investigated by Manchester police on Friday, the *Mirror* said.

Also in Manchester, the paper said it was told by a police officer of the case of a 16-year-old youth who broke his mother's leg and smashed her in the head with an axe because he didn't like his dinner. "She wasn't

In food poisoning case

2 Japan firms to pay \$10m damages

KITAKYUSHU, Japan, March 29 (R) — A court in this southern Japanese town Monday ordered two firms to pay about 2,500 million yen (\$10 million) in compensation to 342 victims in Japan's biggest food poisoning case.

It was the third court ruling of its kind over the discovery in 1968 that edible rice bran oil was contaminated with the chemical polychlorinated biphenyl (PCB), causing stomach and nervous disorders and skin rashes.

The two companies ordered to pay compensation were Kanegafuchi Chemical

BRIEFS

WARSAW (AP) — Former Deputy Premier Franciszek Kaim Monday, was sentenced to a year in prison for abuse of power, Poland's official news agency reported. He was the first major government official reported to be sentenced in trials ordered by martial law rulers. Kaim, who lost his mining and heavy industry cabinet post in a shakeup after the August 1980 strike that launched the Solidarnosc union, was also ordered to pay a fine equivalent to \$3,750, the news agency PAP said.

PRETORIA (R) — Commandant Piet Marais, chairman of the South African arms firm Armscor, has denied reports that South Africa has designed its new 155mm "super gun" to fire nuclear weapons. In an interview with the South African broadcasting Corporation, he said the G5 gun had no such capability and the South African defense force had made no request for development of a weapon that could fire nuclear warheads.

ROME (AP) — The police bomb squad defused a plastic explosive placed under a

Stress lowers defenses against cancer

DAYTONA BEACH, Florida, March 29 (AP) — Stress may have a much larger role in allowing cancer to start and keep going than previously believed, according to a scientist. New tests that allow scientists to better isolate the influences of stress indicate tension and agitation weaken the body's protective immune system which holds some potential cancers in check.

Dr. Vernon T. Riley of the Pacific Northwest Research Foundation in Seattle said the importance of stress has probably been underestimated because of conflicting research results in the past. Riley and co-workers have developed techniques to greatly reduce the normal stress mice and monkeys suffer in laboratories, where they are handled and are subject to noise, bright lights and general confusion.

By using caging and handling techniques that isolate animals from these factors, scientists have found the animals can better show the influence of measured stress, Riley told a meeting of the American Cancer Society here Sunday.

Elizabeth orders palace staff cuts

LONDON, March 29 (AP) — Buckingham Palace has confirmed press reports that Queen Elizabeth II has ordered palace staff cuts for the second straight year to make up a \$2,352 pounds (\$147,410) deficit in the royal account books.

The reports said in the new series of measures at the palace where the staff last year was cut by 20 to 346, the 55-year-old British monarch already has: banded over cleaning in all but the most sensitive parts of the palace to outside contractors instead of employing an army of cleaners; introduced electronic word processing; machines to cut staff who deal with the hundreds of thousands of letters from the public; modernized the palace telephone system; cut her personal staff to the minimum requirement of dressers and valets; and introduced more efficient cooking methods in the palace kitchens.

Initial work with mice under these conditions shows that stress dramatically can depress the disease-fighting immune system, but doesn't appear to cause cancer by itself, Riley said. "Stress does not cause cancer in animals," Riley said. "Stress permits it to take place."

In mice injected with a virus that causes animal breast cancer, those protected against stress had a tumor incidence of only 7 percent after 13 months, compared with 60 percent in injected mice maintained in a conventional, stress-associated environment during the same period, Riley said. Stress affects the spread of cancer through the body from the initial site, the scientist added.

The researchers implanted fast-growing tumors into the hips of mice to see if stress affected spreading. This type of tumor normally moves into the lungs or intestine from the initial site. In one study, the researchers found that the cancer metastasized, or spread, to other sites 30 percent to 40 per-

cent of the time in low-stress mice, compared with 90 to 100 percent in mildly stressed animals, Riley said.

Researchers found that animals under stress have higher blood levels of hormones and other chemicals associated with anxiety. They also found a large reduction in the numbers of circulating white blood cells that normally fight disease. Another important finding, said Riley, is that organs critical to the immune system — such as the thymus, spleen and lymph nodes — showed a noticeable reduction in weight in stressed animals.

Riley said it is now clear in animals, and probably in people, that stress can lower the body's defenses and unleash cancer under certain circumstances. This includes cases where a latent cancer might already be in the body, but held in check by the immune system.

If the findings prove to apply to humans, steps could be taken to reduce tension as a way of preventing cancer, Riley said.

Haitian freighter capsizes; 2 dead

MIAMI, Florida, March 29 (AP) — A Haitian freighter believed to be carrying 10 crewmen capsized in heavy seas off Florida Monday, and two crewmen were known dead and three others were missing, the Coast Guard said.

The 70-foot *Esperanza*, bound from Nassau in the Bahamas to Miami, overturned in 10-foot waves about 0600 GMT Monday, said Coast Guard petty officer Mike Kelly in Miami.

Five crew members made it to shore from the vessel when it capsized off the Palm Beach county coast, Kelly said. The Coast Guard reported heavy winds, overcast skies and rain early Monday, hampering the search for the missing sailors.

U.K. expedition to Everest sets base camp

PEKING, March 29 (Agencies) — A British expedition planning to conquer Mount Everest by the unclimbed east-northeast ridge has established base camp at the bottom of the east Rongbuk glacier, the team said in a telex message received here Monday.

They said the camp was situated on bleak, wind-swept gravel and that the face of the ridge could be seen towering at the head of the glacier 19 kms (12 miles) to the south. The temperature at base camp sometimes reached -26°C and was 17,000 feet above sea level, they added.

The six-man team led by Chris Bonington is the first British expedition to attempt the mountain from the Chinese side since 1938. A Japanese team conquered the world's highest peak from Tibet in 1980 and Italian mountaineer Reinhold Messner climbed it solo in the same year, also from the Chinese side.

Bonington said in Peking last month that the most awesome problem in their assault consisted of several tooth-like rock towers, the tallest about 200 feet (60 meters) high.

Meanwhile, reports in Katmandu said hurricane winds lashed the high altitude camp of the first Soviet Himalayan expedition attempting to conquer Mount Everest.

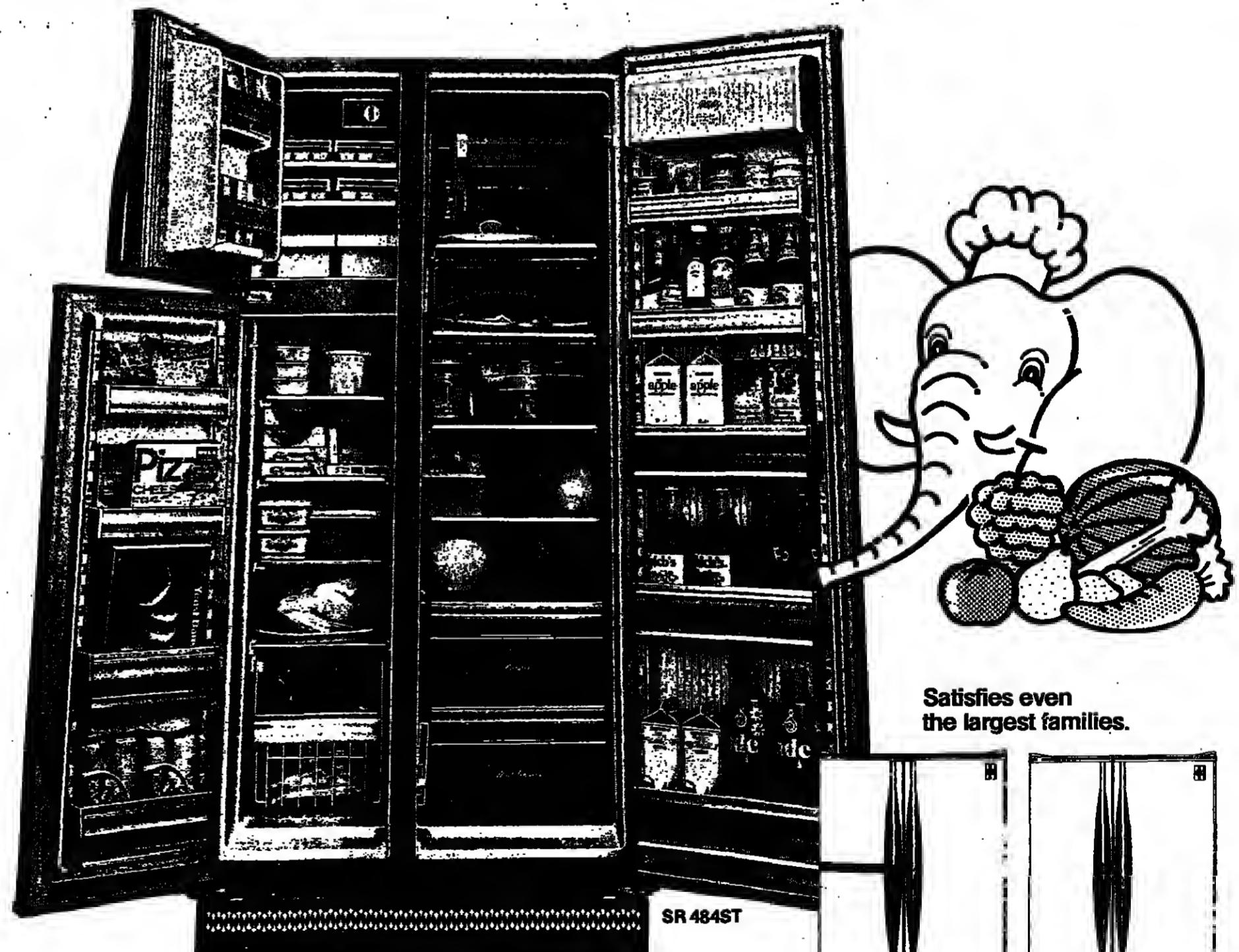
Several tents at the 6,500 meters first high altitude camp were blown away when the storm struck on March 22 but none of the climbers were injured, according to the Nepalese Ministry of Tourism quoting an official message from the Everest base.

The 27-member expedition, led by Dr. Evgeni Tamm, was scheduled to pitch Camp 2 on March 23 at 7,200 meters. Included in the team are 16 ace Soviet climbers eight of whom will be making the summit attempt on the world's highest mountain through the hitherto unclimbed southwest rocky face route.

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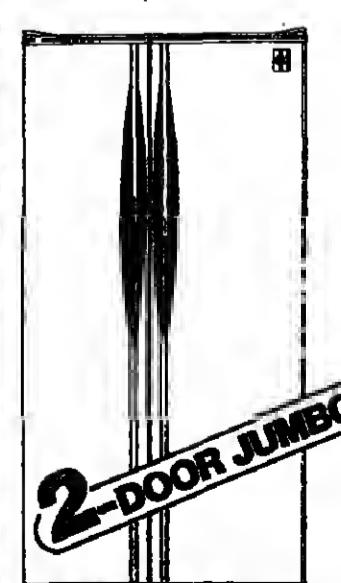


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Growth set at 5.6%

Turkish leaders see upturn in economy

ANKARA, March 29 (R) — Turkey's military leaders believe the country is likely to experience further growth this year and next as the sweeping economic recovery measures of 1980 begin to take effect.

The economy grew last year at a rate of 4.4 percent after negative growth in the two previous years. This year growth is set at 5.6 percent.

The architect of the 1980 program, Turgut Ozal, now deputy prime minister and head of the State Planning Organization, has supreme power over economic planning and says the military rule must be continued for another two or three years to make Turkey economically sound.

Ozal's programs, which brought inflation down from over 100 percent in 1980 to around 36 percent last year, has been widely applauded here, but with minor criticism from private industry. It is likely to be followed through until the military-led administration hands over to an elected civilian government.

Military leaders have pledged a return to full democracy at the latest by spring 1984. Ozal's reference to the need of continuing his program for two or three years lent credence to press speculation here that the consultative assembly, hand-picked by the military to draft a new constitution, would try to give a legal basis to the continuation of Ozal's economic program.

Since the military leaders retain considerable popularity and domestic politics do not exist at present, the Ozal program, which foresees economic growth of 5.6 percent this year and six percent in 1983, seems almost certain to continue until the end of 1983.

Only disagreement within the military itself could disrupt Turkey's economic program.

Tin body views export curbs

LONDON, March 29 (AFP) — The huge support operation in tin which boosted prices to record levels in February, was still very much in the minds of delegates as the International Tin Council resumed its emergency session here Monday.

After two adjournments, the council decided to allocate two days the intricate

India customs impound tanker

NEW DELHI, March 29 (AP) — A Singapore-registered tanker carrying electronic appliances and other goods for smuggling into India was seized near Bombay after an eight-hour chase by customs patrols, the United News of India reported Monday.

The tanker *Mindora* was captured and its captain, a South Korean, and eight other crew members were arrested, the news agency said.

The tanker surrendered last Friday only after the patrol boat *Razia Sultana* aimed its guns at it, UNI said.

Gold's fall catches many on

LONDON, March 29 (R) — Investors who bought gold in the heady days of 1980 when it soared to record prices are in for a rough ride this year as its value continues to drop, some dealers say.

In a world used to considering gold as a lasting store of wealth, the extent of the decline has wrong-footed producer and investor alike. Tempted by the high interest rates that have accompanied the world recession, money has been flooding out of the precious metal and into paper investments.

From a January 1980 high of \$875 an ounce, gold fell last week to \$312 and some analysts say it could even drop to \$250 an ounce this year. Concern at the state of the market links governments of widely differing persuasions.

The economics of the main producers, South Africa and the Soviet Union, have been hit hard by the slump, while Middle East investors have been forced to unload gold at a loss to counter the effects of falling oil prices.

For an oil producer like Indonesia, which bought 1.8 million ounces of gold in 1980, much of it in a rising market, the current price of the metal represents a serious loss to the reserves.

The importance of gold as a safe investment in times of political uncertainty

recess, Western diplomats here believe. Ozal was recently quoted as saying Turkey's balance of payments account could break even this year although the official estimate is for a deficit of \$425 million. This includes trade, invisible debt servicing, workers remittances and foreign debts.

The deficit was \$1.1 billion last year and \$1.2 billion the year before. The current account deficit, excluding foreign loans, project or program credits, foreign debt principal repayments or the capital movements, narrowed from \$3.1 billion in 1980 to \$2 billion.

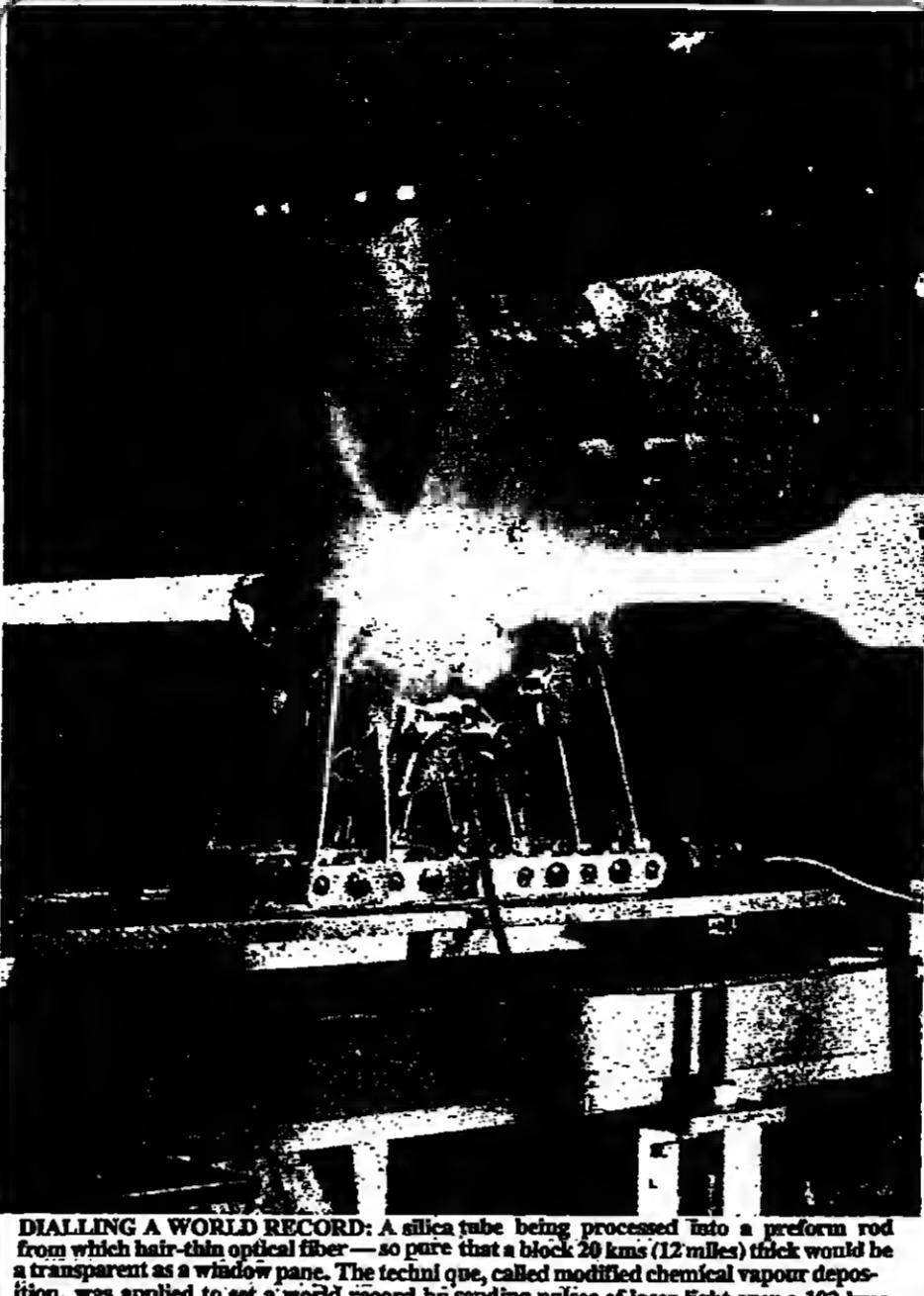
The new economic program, introduced in January 1980, encouraged private enterprise, scrapped most state subsidies and devalued Turkey's lira by 33 percent against the dollar.

Last year inflation was sharply down from 107 percent in 1980 and the target for this year is 25 percent. But the wholesale price index, the key inflation indicator, was already up 5.4 percent for the first two months this year.

The foreign trade deficit was cut by 15 percent last year, largely due to a 62 percent rise in the value of exports. The government hopes to further reduce the deficit this year despite an import target of \$10 billion, 12 percent up on last year.

Remittances to the central bank or other foreign currency banks by Turkish workers abroad reached a record \$2.49 billion last year, largely due to a favorable exchange rate announced as part of the 1980 package. The government hopes the figure will reach \$2.8 billion this year.

Economists believe Turkey would have little problem balancing its payments, if it were not for its huge burden of debts, mostly incurred by the previous civilian governments.



DIALLING A WORLD RECORD: A silicon tube being processed into a preform rod from which hair-thin optical fiber — so pure that a block 20 km (12 miles) thick would be transparent as a window pane. The technical, called modified chemical vapour deposition, was applied to set a world record by sending pulses of laser light over a 102 km (63 miles) length of optical fiber without the need for amplification along the route.

Lloyd's Register reports

Shipbuilding faces lean times

LONDON, March 29 (AFP) — The substantial overcapacity in the world shipbuilding industry is likely to continue for the foreseeable future, Robert Huskisson, chairman of Lloyd's Register of Shipping said Monday in his annual report.

Despite the one million ton gross increase in the world order book in 1981 to 35 million tons, there are already signs of a slackening pace in new orders.

Latest figures published in the annual report showed that total new orders in 1981 came to 17 million tons, compared with 19 million tons in 1980. This was equivalent to the 1979 total, "which signifies a distinct leveling-off in demand for new ships," the report commented.

The continuing world recession, with a low level of growth in the Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development (OECD) countries, high oil prices, reduced

oil production and declining oil consumption, together with high interest rates, has made all-round market recovery for the shipping industry seem almost as far away as ever," it added.

Within the gross total, 18.9 million tons consisting of 635 bulk carriers are due for delivery by 1984. With less than 18 million tons of the present merchant fleet over 15 years old, it is difficult to see quite how this new tonnage will be efficiently utilized, given the current short-term market projections and prevailing low charter rates, the report added.

The prospect of some of these orders being canceled cannot be ruled out," it stressed.

Huskisson, in a detailed comment about shipyard overcapacity, said that the "most disturbing fact" was the closing of complete shipyards in some countries and the opening of new ones elsewhere in the world.

"Let me hasten to say that I am entirely in favor of private enterprise and the discipline of the market place," he said. A perfect illustration was the magnificent new Daewoo Shipyard just opened in South Korea.

Sweden foresees gas project delay

MALMO, Sweden, March 29 (AFP) — The Soviet Union will have to step up imports of gas pipelines from Western Europe and Japan to honor its European Siberian natural gas contracts, according to a Swedish report published here Monday.

The report, issued by the private Swedish organization Petrosud, said that U.S. anti-Soviet economic sanctions could lead to a delay or even a cancellation of Siberian natural gas shipments to Western Europe.

The Soviet Union, it said, aimed to counter U.S. sanctions by stepping up construction of the 4,400 kms (2,750 miles) pipeline from the western Siberian gas deposits to the Soviet-Czechoslovak border.

According to latest company figures, Petrosud said that Moscow had recently decided to change its initial plans for the pipeline and would now lay three parallel pipes, each 142 cm in diameter (some 60 inches) and measure a total length of 10,000 kms (6,250 miles). The Soviet Union aimed to finish building the pipeline well before the scheduled date of 1985, the report said.

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such a tactic would enable Moscow to obtain much-needed liquid funds without depressing the gold price by spot sales.

Analysts in Zurich told Reuters the Soviet Union appeared, like many other operators, to have fundamentally misjudged the gold market in recent years, holding back supplies when the price was at its peak and now having to sell at a much lower level.

They said Moscow evidently believed the gold price would go much higher than it did after the Soviet intervention in Afghanistan at the end of 1979.

"Two years ago, the dollar was relatively weak and gold seemed a much better commodity to hold on to than any currency reserves," one senior dealer said.

South Africa, the world's biggest gold producer, is reeling from the effects of the drop in price. It saw a balance of payments surplus of nearly \$3 billion in 1980 turn into a deficit of nearly \$4 billion last year, and the rand fell below the dollar in value for the first time earlier this month.

The Soviet Union needs money to buy grain after two poor crops in a row, and it is also believed to have been providing considerable help to Poland in meeting its Western debts. There have been recent suggestions that the Soviet Union has either swapped gold for foreign currencies or used it as collateral to obtain credit.

Swiss bullion managers have said they doubt this is going on any large scale, but

A shift from West

Iran hikes trade with Russia

LONDON, March 29 (ONS) — A series of key agreements and protocols signed during the past four weeks by Iran with Syria, Turkey, Uruguay and Czechoslovakia highlight both the growing amount of barter in Tehran's international trade and Iran's steady shift away from the West to the Eastern bloc and Third World countries.

None the less, trade with the West still accounts for a politically embarrassing 67 percent.

After the crisis of the American hostages, Japan and West Germany made every effort to fill the trade vacuum left by the U.S.

but the financial crisis of mid-1981, when the partial collapse of oil sales led to a sharp fall in foreign exchange reserves, saw Iran turn increasingly to barter trade.

In addition to the \$1 or \$2 billion in foreign exchange reserves, Iran is believed to hold large gold deposits; \$3 billion tied up in British and Dutch banks, and long-term overseas investments valued at \$2 billion.

To slow the outflow from Iran's foreign exchange reserves, luxury imports were banned and Tehran reactivated a dormant legal mechanism requiring central bank approval before letters of credit could be opened. Both measures hurt Western importers.

The net result has been a significant increase in trade with Iran's traditional barter partners, the Soviet Union and Eastern bloc members. Comecon recently estimated that its 1981 share of Iranian imports will be up three-fold on its pre-revolution level of 5 percent to almost \$2 billion.

Typical of this trend was the protocol signed last month in Tehran with the Czechs in return for a considerable amount to meet Iran's industrial needs. Prague plans to double Iranian oil imports to 10,000 barrels a day.

The arrangement with the Czechs — if it goes through — is similar to a barter deal made with Yugoslavia last autumn and a more recent draft agreement with Romania which could lead to bilateral trade worth \$1 billion this year.

Soviets default in payments

MOSCOW, March 29 (R) — The Soviet Union is having difficulty paying its Western bills and businessmen say Moscow's hard currency shortage could put a severe dampener on trade prospects this year.

Western traders in Moscow say that over the past two months Soviet commercial managers have asked dozens of Western firms to accept delays in repayment for goods already delivered and explained bluntly that the cash is not available to pay on time.

Banking sources add that a recent Soviet selling spree on Western gold, oil and diamond markets has apparently been insufficient to offset the shortfall in the Kremlin's currency reserves.

Businessmen say it is the first time for many years that the Soviet Union, endowed with enormous mineral resources, has effectively run out of money and they believe the currency crisis may last only a few months.

Several factors appear to be the cause of Moscow's money problems. Firstly, three bad harvests in succession have forced the Kremlin to pay out billions of dollars on imported grain from the United States, Argentina and

other major producers.

The second major drain on Soviet reserves has evidently been Poland. Moscow has given only scant details about its financial aid to Warsaw, but Western diplomats say it may have transferred as much as \$5 billion during 1981, much of it in hard Western currency.

Irish lead rest in tea drinking

LONDON, March 29 (AP) — The average Briton drinks about 1,650 cups of tea every year, second highest consumption in the world, according to the world tea Council.

The Irish are the number one tea drinkers per head every year, said a news release Sunday from the council which promotes tea drinking.

The British figure is 7.83 pounds (3.55 kg). New Zealand 5.25 pounds (2.38 kg), Iraq 4.52 pounds (2.05 kg) and Australia 3.52 pounds (1.94 kg).

Venerable Fokker flying high

AMSTERDAM, Netherlands, March 29 (LAT) — The venerable Fokker Aircraft Company, which built fighter planes for the Red Baron in World War I, is enjoying robust health in an industry suffering from serious ailments.

"We are doing quite well," Leo J.N. Steijn, an official at Fokker B.V. headquarters here, said almost apologetically. "In fact, the recession has helped us. In their efforts to save money, potential buyers are now more interested in our planes."

Fokker production lines are busy turning out one of civil aviation's most successful planes, the twin-turboprop F-27 Friendship and its twin-jet sister ship, the F-28 Fellowship.

Other work includes construction of components, mainly wing sections, for the European A300 and A310 Airbus and two British short-haul transports.

According to latest company figures, Fokker had sales of nearly \$190 million in the first half of 1981, with a net profit of \$2.2 million. The 1980 profit totaled \$4.47 million, but was lower in proportion to sales than in 1981, when streamlined operations increased relative profitability. The company also was profitable in 1979, but lost money the two previous years.

Fokker is unhappy over one of the few positive signs in the troubled civil aviation industry — declining fuel prices. The decline was a key factor in the recent cancellation of a \$2 billion joint project with McDonnell Douglas Corp. to build a new 150-seat jetliner, the MDF-100, whose chief attraction would have been fuel economy. Steijn said aviation fuel was expected to cost about \$1.50 a gallon by the time the first MDF-100 was test flown in 1985.

Production of the F-27 has been increased from 12 to 23 a year since 1980. F-28s are coming off the line at the rate of 12 a year.

To handle the extra work, Fokker has boosted the work force at its four plants here in Holland to 9,600 from 7,500 in 1980.

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Facing OPEC sanctions

Firms deny shunning Nigeria

LONDON, March 29 (R) — Major oil companies threatened with sanctions by the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries (OPEC) unless they restore purchases from Nigeria say they have not suspended shipments of oil from the African country.

The Anglo-Dutch Shell group said Monday: "Shell continues lifting as normal from Nigeria." Two of the three U.S. companies involved in the crisis, Mobil and Gulf, said Sunday they had not suspended Nigerian shipments. The other company, Texaco, made no comment.

According to the *Middle East Economic Survey* (MEES), a well-informed trade newsletter, OPEC gave the companies until Monday night to restore Nigerian purchases, failing which they could be blacklisted by OPEC. MEES said some OPEC members believed that buyer defections from Nigeria, where output has halved to only 630,000 barrels daily, were part of a bid to force this revenue-starved OPEC nation to cut its price and thereby undermine all OPEC prices in the prevailing world glut.

Market analysts said it was not yet clear whether company statements that "normal liftings" continue would placate OPEC. Under Nigerian production arrangements, "normal liftings" can also mean reduced vol-

umes.

The companies produce oil for the Nigerian National Petroleum Corporation, a state company. It takes 80 percent of Shell's output, and 60 percent of the volumes produced by Mobil and Gulf, and sells this oil to third parties. The producing companies take the remaining oil.

As a Shell spokesman noted Monday, buyers have deserted the National Petroleum Corporation, so the pool, out of which Shell is expected to buy 20 percent, has been reduced.

In fact, Shell said, it has recently been tak-

ing somewhat more than 20 percent of what it produces, because of the slump in Nigerian sales to third parties. Analysts said the key questions were whether OPEC wanted the producing companies to take more than their percentage entitlements and whether they would oblige to help out Nigeria.

The market experts said the companies would scarcely want to be seen bowing to OPEC pressure. If an accommodation was reached, the only confirmation of it might come if and when it became clear that OPEC was not going to call an emergency meeting to impose sanctions on the companies.

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Global trade dips -- GATT

GENEVA, March 29 (R) — World trade declined last year for the first time since 1958, contracting by one percent on an annual basis, the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade (GATT) said Monday.

The decline after a 21 percent growth in 1980, was due partly to a fall in export values expressed in dollars and partly to a stagnation in the volume of goods traded, the world trade body said in an initial report on 1981 commerce.

GATT warned against explaining all cur-

rent economic woes in terms of high interest rates. No single factor, especially not such a relatively recent one, could explain the "stagflation" — and inflation — plaguing the world economy, it said.

"The policy chickens now coming home to roost were not born yesterday," the report said. "They are fully grown, and therefore tough."

As economic problems mounted, it said, countries were becoming more involved in acrimonious trade disputes, disregarding the existing rules for international commerce and causing more structural problems than solved.

Economic recovery required very large volumes of investment and a restoration of business confidence whose absence helped keep long-term interest rates high, GATT said.

"It is not the level of nominal interest rates as such, in the absence of production costs, that deters investment at present, but the uncertainty reflected in those rates," it said.

Interest rate reduction could come by lowering taxes on savings to free more private capital for investment and cutting public budget deficits to make up for the resulting loss in tax revenues, the study suggested.

Without naming any nation, GATT criticized several policies gaining ground in industrialized countries as means of countering growing problems in world trade. It said import substitution had not worked in the developing world and there was no reason for it to succeed in industrialized countries.

GATT's leaders bave asked for a meeting with Premier Pierre Mauroy by 5 p.m. (1500 GMT), and if they do not get it they plan to "harden up the operation."

Wheat crop placed at 457m tons

LONDON, March 29 (AP) — The International Wheat Council, while estimating the 1981 world wheat crop at a record 457 million metric tons, Monday said carryover stocks at the end of the crop year will be higher.

The council's March marketing report said carryover wheat stocks in the five major wheat producing areas — Argentina, Australia, Canada, the European Community and the United States — will end the crop year June 30 at 52.4 million metric tons, up from its February estimate of 49.5 million metric tons. This compares with 45 million metric tons in the previous year.

"The increase in the forecast follows revised estimates of supply and demand issued in the United States and Canada," the report said. It also said higher than previously estimated opening stocks in Canada, coupled with a reduction of domestic use, had helped boost carryover stocks.

The council also dropped its estimate of the world wheat and flour trade to 99 million metric tons, down 1 million tons from its February estimate.

"Operational snail pace" hits France

PARIS, March 29 (AFP) — Motorways and main roads throughout France were in chaos Monday as thousands of angry truck owner-drivers staged an "operation snail's pace" and parked vehicles on roads.

In all some 35,000 owners-drivers were expected to take part in the protest over diesel fuel prices, taxes applicable to their sector and other difficulties.

They blocked main roads into large towns, including Paris, where huge traffic jams built up. The road around Paris was permanently jammed as trucks drove round at 5 kph (three mph).

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Latin American aid parley opens

CARTAGENA, Colombia, March 29 (R) — The 43-nation Inter-American Development Bank (IDB) began a three-day meeting Monday to discuss aid to Latin American countries, including El Salvador and Guatemala, and topics such as U.S. President Ronald Reagan's Caribbean development scheme.

The main goal of the IDB's 23rd annual assembly, attended by finance and industry ministers and central bank governors among 250 delegates, is to determine financial aid from 1983-1986.

The bank, which has loaned more than \$20 billion since it was founded in 1959, will consider a sixth general increase in bank resources of between \$12 and \$15 billion, an IDB spokesman says.

The delegates meeting in this Caribbean port will also discuss a \$1.5 billion package for six Central American countries — Costa Rica, El Salvador, Guatemala, Honduras, Nicaragua and Panama — to cover the next three years.

The main work of the Cartagena meeting, which was opened by Colombian President Julio Cesar Turbay Ayala, will be carried out by special committees discussing recommendations from preparatory IDB meeting held in Lisbon in January.

IDB resources are distributed among ordinary capital, which is used to finance lending at so-called conventional terms, and The Fund for Special Operation (FSO), covering soft-term loans.

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"We had to convince ourselves we could play well, regardless of who it is," said Bobby Jones, who hit last eight shots and scored 19 points as the 76ers ended Boston's 18-game winning streak with a 116-98 victory Sunday.

A week before, the Celtics had dominated the 76ers in Philadelphia. Losses to New Jersey and Detroit followed and the 76ers beat Cleveland, the NBA's worst team, by just four points Friday night.

In other NBA games Sunday, Indiana edged Chicago 102-101, Los Angeles trounced Kansas City 116-111, Houston nipped Golden State 94-92. Seattle stopped Portland 109-101. New Jersey defeated New York 113-106 and Washington topped Cleveland 104-101.

The 76ers, who got 23 points from Andrew Toney, never trailed. After nine straight points which gave them a 35-15 lead with 10:30 left in the second quarter, their small lead was 11. Boston reeled off 11 straight

Standings

Eastern Conference					Western Conference				
Atlantic Division					Midwest Division				
W	L	Pct.	GB		W	L	Pct.	GB	
Boston	55	16	.775	—	San Antonio	44	.27	.620	—
Philadelphia	49	21	.700	.5%	Denver	40	.30	.571	.3%
Washington	36	34	.514	.18%	Houston	40	.22	.556	.4%
New Jersey	36	36	.500	.19%	Kansas City	25	.46	.352	.19
New York	30	41	.423	.25	Dallas	24	.47	.338	.20
Central Division					Utah	19	.52	.268	.25
Milwaukee	48	23	.676	—	Los Angeles	48	.23	.676	—
Atlanta	35	35	.500	.12%	Seattle	46	.24	.657	.1%
Detroit	34	37	.479	.14	Golden State	39	.32	.549	.9
Indiana	32	39	.451	.16	Phoenix	38	.32	.543	.9%
Chicago	29	41	.414	.18%	Portland	35	.35	.500	.12%
Cleveland	15	55	.214	.32%	San Diego	16	.55	.225	.32

points late in the first half and trailed 57-44 at halftime. But the 76ers netted eight of the first 10 second-half points on two layups, a dunk by Erving and a dunk by Jones.

The loss left Boston tied with the 1969-70 record of New York Knicks for the NBA's third-longest winning streak. Milwaukee's 20-game streak in 1971 is second to the Lakers' 33. Nate Archibald led the Celtics with 22 points, followed by Kevin McHale with 19 and Robert Parish with 18.

Net 113, Knicks 106: Ray Williams scored 23 points and James Bailey hit 10 of his 19 in the fourth quarter as New Jersey handed New York its ninth straight road loss. The Knicks, who got 21 points from Michael Ray Richardson, never led in the game, but they rallied from a 61-47 deficit early in the third quarter to tie the score twice, 92-92 and 94-94, in the fourth period. Bailey then hit two baskets as New Jersey outscored the Knicks 10-2 in the next 3 1/2 minutes for a 104-96 edge. The Knicks didn't get closer than four points the rest of the way.

Bullets 104, Cavaliers 101: Greg Ballard scored 23 points to lead Washington over Cleveland, which lost its seventh in-a-row and 55th in 70 games this season. Ron Brewer, who scored 29 points for the Cavaliers,

hit two three-point shots in the final minute to cut the deficit to 103-101 with six seconds left. Ballard then hit one of two free throws with three seconds to go, but Cleveland was unable to hit another three-pointer before the buzzer.

Rockets 94, Warriors 92: Houston snapped Golden State's four-game winning streak by overcoming a four-point deficit in the final 22 seconds on three-point goals by Mike Dunleavy and Allen Leavell. Dunleavy connected with 22 seconds left to cut the lead to 92-91 and Leavell scored with seven seconds to go. Houston, which has won four in-a-row, was led by Moses Malone's 29 points and 17 rebounds. Golden State got 27 points from World Free.

Sonics 109, Blazers 101: Jack Sikma scored 25 points and grabbed 11 rebounds as Seattle handed Portland its fourth straight loss. Sikma started at forward instead of his usual center spot, making way for 7-foot-2 James Donaldson, who got 18 rebounds. Jim Paxson scored 23 points to lead the Trail Blazers, while Mychal Thompson had 22 points and 18 rebounds.

Lakers 116, Kings 111: Reserve Bob McAdoo scored 30 points and Kareem Abdul-Jabbar had 18 in his 1,000th NBA game as Los Angeles fought off Kansas City. The Lakers led by 12 points early in the fourth period before an 11-4 run by the Kings cut the deficit to 101-98. But baskets by Abdul-Jabbar and McAdoo re-established control. Steve Johnson scored 26 points to lead Kansas City.

Pacers 102, Bulls 101: Clement Johnson's 20 points and 16 rebounds paced Indiana to its victory over Chicago. The lead changed hands 16 times before the Pacers moved ahead to stay, 92-91, on a free throw by Johnny Davis with 6:26 left. Indiana did not score for the last 2:17 after Don Buse hit a jumper for a five-point lead. But the Bulls, who got 25 points from Artis Gilmore, managed only four free throws in that span to cut the final deficit to one.

After Alan Jones left, we found a great driver in (Finn) Keke Rosberg," who came second to Nelson Piquet in Brazil last week," said Mrs. Williams. "After Carlos, I hope we'll find another Keke."

Mrs. Williams, however, said she had no indication which driver Williams might be trying to hire. Other teams already have contracted all the obvious top talent, although Williams theoretically could buy out a contract.

Reutemann has been with the Williams team since the 1980 season. Born in Santa Fe, Argentina, he first began his driving career in road races in his home country in 1965 when he was 29-year-old. In 1970, Reutemann went to Europe to race Formula II. He began his Formula 1 career two years later with the Brabham team, where he remained for seven years. At the end of the 1977 season Reutemann joined the Ferrari team. He then teamed up with Lotus in 1979, and remained there one year before joining Williams.

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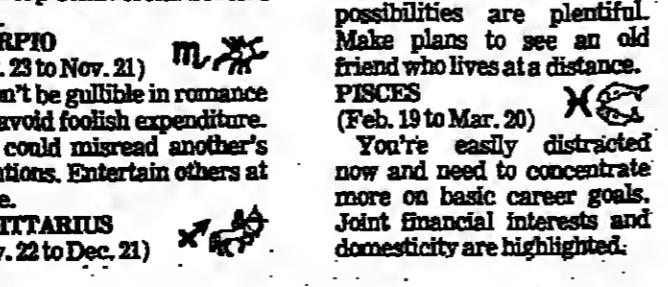
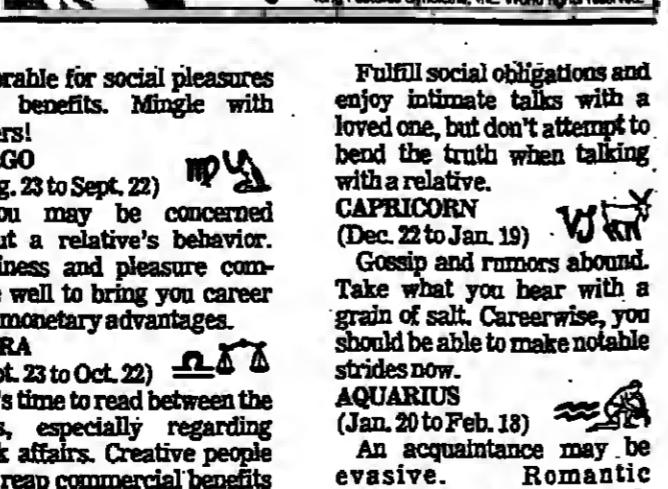
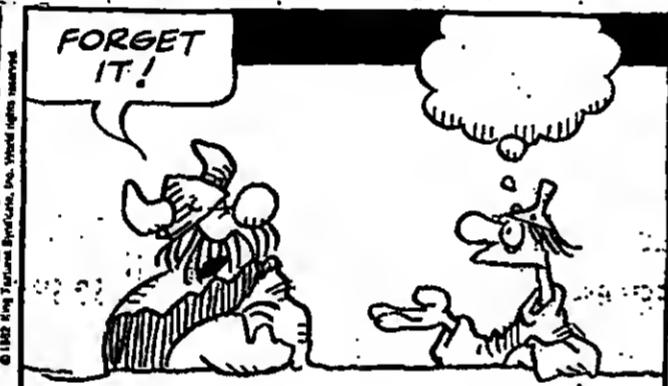
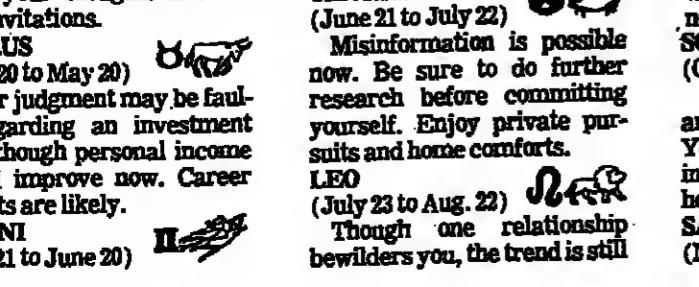
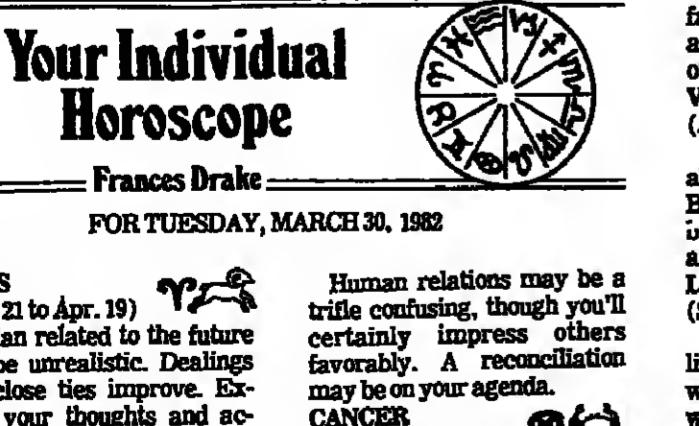
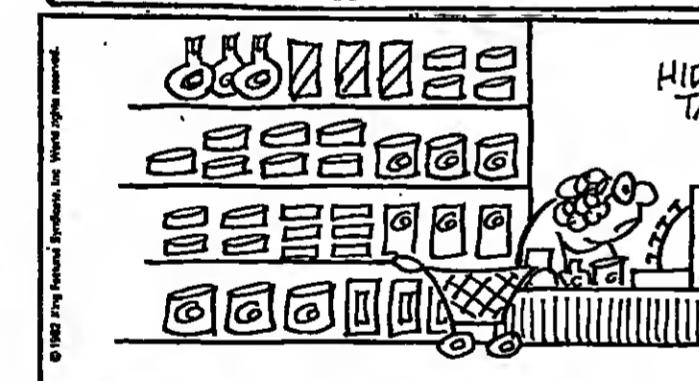
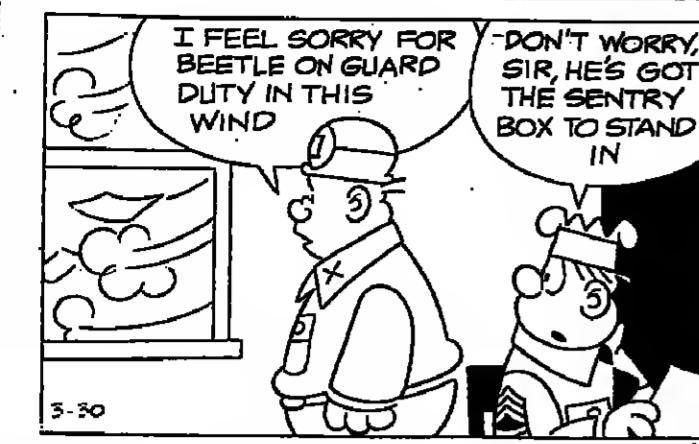
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3:15	Children's Program
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3:45	Arabic News
4:00	Arabic News
4:15	Religious Talk
4:30	Cartoons
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5:00	Local Children's Program
5:15	From A to Z
5:30	Cinema World
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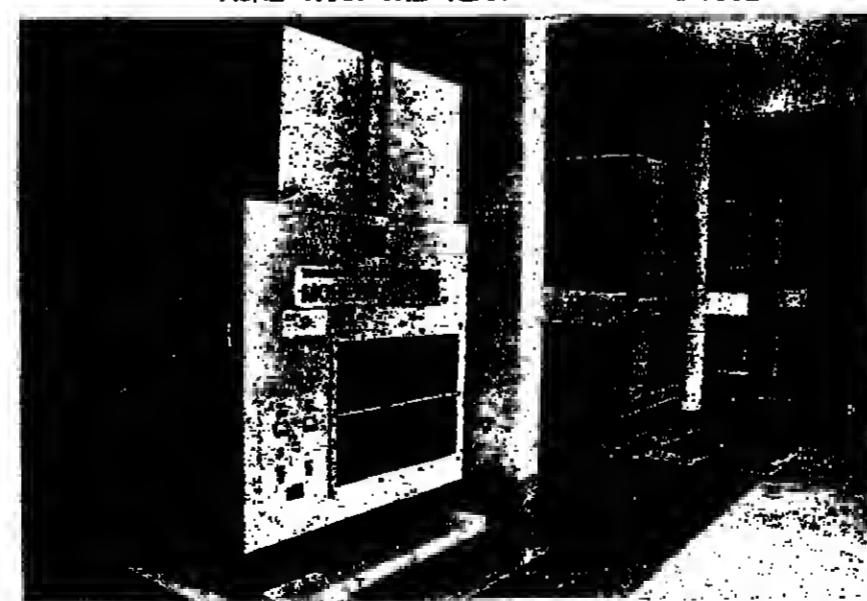
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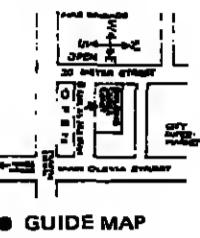
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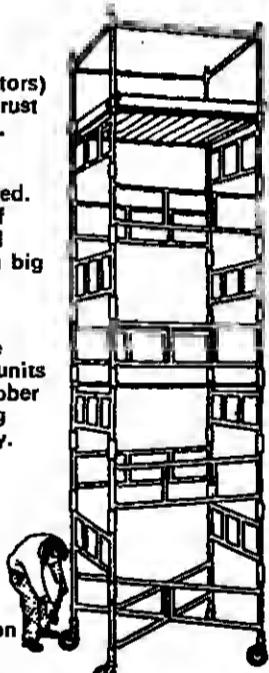
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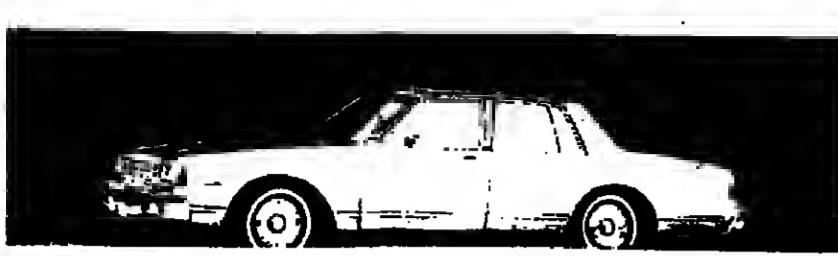
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Ex-President Jose Figueres of Costa Rica,

BONN, March 29 (AP) — West German Chancellor Helmut Schmidt Monday warned the Soviet Union against hoping U.S. medium-range nuclear missiles would not be installed in West Germany if U.S.-Soviet Euromissile negotiations in Geneva failed.

"The Soviet Union hopes that voices in Western Europe and in America will be raised to stop the creation of a counterweight (to the Soviet medium-range SS-20 missiles), even if the Euromissile negotiations produce no result," Schmidt said in a Swedish television interview, the text of which was published here.

"This hope will turn out to be false. The Soviet Union should be convinced that if negotiations fail to produce a result, the United States will install (its missiles) here," he added. Swedish Prime Minister Thorbjörn Fälldin will be visiting West Germany for three days, starting Wednesday.

E. Berliners hail Jaruzelski

EAST BERLIN, March 29 (R) — East Germany Monday welcomed Poland's military ruler Gen. Wojciech Jaruzelski in a huge display of support for his martial law policies. Almost the entire ruling Politburo, including head of state Erich Honecker, Prime Minister Willi Stoph, Defense Minister Gen. Heinz Hoffmann and trade union boss Harry Tisch, greeted Jaruzelski at the beginning of this month and is due to go to Prague

one of 200 foreign observers of the voting, said it was too early to tell who won the election, "but the guerrillas lost."

U.S. Ambassador Deane Hinton repeated prepol pledges to try to work with whoever wins the election, but added the Christian Democrats appeared "very much in the lead" and be hoped for — "a reconciliation of the democratic parties." He said the guerrilla drive to disrupt the elections was "a total failure."

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Official partial returns gave the Christian Democrats 50,606 votes, or 40.3 percent, to 36,837, or 29.3 percent, for retired Maj. Roberto d'Aubuisson's ultra-rightist Republican Nationalist Alliance, in second place.

The National Conciliation Party, which ran the government from 1961 until the 1979 coup, had 20,314 votes (16.2 percent). Democratic Action was fourth with 12,171 (9.7 percent), the Popular Salvadoran Party had 4,191 (3.3 percent) and the Popular Orientation Party had 1,419 (1.1 percent).

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Another Christian Democratic leader, Guillermo Guevara, said the party might be able to form a majority coalition with Democratic Action, the most moderate of the rightist factions. "We have already had informal contacts and believe we can have a constructive dialogue," he said.

Leftist parties boycotted the voting, saying it was a farce sponsored by the United States and any candidates they put forward would be assassinated.

Marcos wants bases negotiated

MANILA, March 29 (AP) — President Ferdinand Marcos said Monday he would seek renegotiation of the Philippine United States military bases agreement as soon as possible. He said certain issues and problems needed resolving. The agreement will be among matters to be taken up with U.S. Defense Secretary Caspar Weinberger who is expected in Manila Thursday, President Ferdinand Marcos told newsmen Monday.

The United States has three of its biggest overseas military facilities. Among operational matters that have to be discussed, the president said, are customs, immigration, quarantine, internal revenue and perimeter security issues. The military agreement is supposed to be renegotiated every five years. The existing amendments were concluded in January 1979. "We should probably start negotiating now," the president said.

Weinberger is on a tour of three U.S. allies in the Far East. He has already been to Japan and South Korea and will be proceeding to Manila. Marcos said details about how perimeter base security is being conducted need to be looked into. He said he was in favor of stopping American soldiers participating in this completely.

The military agreement presently provides for \$500 million worth of military aid and credit in exchange for the use of Subic naval base in Zambales province and Clark Air Base in nearby Pampanga province.

Zimbabweans smash spy ring

SALISBURY, March 29 (R) — The Zimbabwe government said Monday it had broken a South African spy ring directed from within the prime minister's office. An official spokesman said three white men had been arrested and a fourth white, the leader, had fled to South Africa.

The spokesman said the leader, who was a senior security official in the department of Prime Minister Robert Mugabe, had been declared an enemy of the state and his property was ordered confiscated.

Zimbabwe's security chief Emerson Munangawa, a minister of state in the prime minister's office, was quoted Monday as saying two of the three arrested men would soon appear in court. He told *The Herald* newspaper that the leader of the spy ring had fled the country in January, first to Britain and then to South Africa.

"When he discovered that we knew he was head of one of South Africa's spy rings in the country and that we were on the right trail, he fled," Munangawa said in an interview with *The Herald*. He could not be reached for comment, but the government spokesman confirmed his remarks.

Prime Minister Mugabe has frequently accused South Africa of working actively to destabilize Zimbabwe and other neighboring African states, he has accused white and black political elements of plotting with the republic to overthrow his government. Sixteen whites and an unknown number of blacks have been detained for alleged subversion.

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Guatemala officer killed in ambush

GUATEMALA CITY, March 29 (AP) — A national police official who had been expected to be replaced by the new junta was killed in an ambush, according to police, who blamed leftist guerrillas, for the action.

The official, Lt. Ricardo Benedicto Santos, and an aide were killed Friday but police did not disclose the details until Sunday. They did not explain why the report was held up. Santos and a police agent who was not identified were ambushed while driving near Cuilapa about 40 miles southwest of the capital.

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